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The Adhesive Postage Stamp.

In my previous paper giving a sketch of the life of Sir Rowland Hill, I have explained how he came to discover and adopt as the main feature of his plan of Postal Reform, the great principle of uniformity of postage on Inland letters, and how it came to pass, when discussing the details of his plan in his first evidence before the Commissioners of Post-office Inquiry on the 13th February 1837, that the tolerably obvious suggestion occurred to him of employing adhesive as well as other kinds of stamps for prepayment of postage, a suggestion the importance of which has, as it seems to me, been of late years prodigiously exaggerated, especially when it is borne in mind that ever since the year 1802—i. e. for some five and thirty years previously—stamped labels had been in constant use in this country for affixing to boxes, bottles and packets of patent medicines, in prepayment of the duties levied thereon.

The facts connected with this matter are fully explained in my pamphlet on "The Origin of Postage Stamps" published about a year ago, in which I expose the worthlessness of the claim recently put forward for, but never at any time put forward by Mr. James Chalmers, viz. that he had invented or suggested the use of adhesive postage stamps in 1834. To that pamphlet and to a supplement I have recently issued I must refer such of your readers as may care to make a thorough investigation of the question, confining myself in this paper to giving an outline of the facts, from which it will I think be clear to any one that the credit, whatever it may be worth, of having been the first to propose the use of adhesive postage labels is due not to Mr. James Chalmers but to Sir Rowland Hill.

The absurdity of the claim put forward with so much persistence and disregard for truth by Mr. Patrick Chalmers, was admirably exposed in a letter which appeared in the "Postal Telegraphic and Telephonic Gazette" of 5th October, 1883, by a gentleman holding a high position in the London Post office whose knowledge of the subject and whose good faith I can fully guarantee, and as the best way of making the facts clear to your readers I here give it in extenso:

ORIGIN OF ADHESIVE POSTAGE STAMPS.

TO THE EDITOR. SIR:—In your paper of last week, you publish a communication from "A Correspondent" respecting the origin of the adhesive postage stamp, in which he tells us, amongst other things, that an attempt is to be made to obtain money from the Government, in recognition of the services which, it is alleged, were rendered by Mr. Jas. Chalmers some forty or fifty years ago; adding that "it will be news to many persons to know that to Mr. James Chalmers, of Dundee, we are indebted for the adhesive stamp."

I can only say that, to me, it will be, if possible, still more extraordinary news to learn that any one exists, who still believes in a claim unsupported by anything deserving the name of evidence, and which has been so often and so thoroughly refuted.

Though the real facts of the case have more than once been published, yet as your paper has a large circulation amongst the numerous employes of this Department—many of whom may, perhaps, take an interest in this question—it may be useful if I briefly recapitulate the leading points in the case, to which I have given considerable attention; referring those who desire fuller information, to the "Life of Sir Rowland Hill,"

published about three years ago, or to the Reports of the Proceedings of the London Philatelic Society, as published in the "Philatelic Record" of November, 1881 and 1882.

I need scarcely remind your readers that there is one well understood rule by which, in all scientific societies, rival claims to any invention or discovery are decided, viz., that he is the rightful claimant who was first to publish his invention or discovery. The justice of this rule is obvious.

Now the earliest suggestion for adhesive postage stamps, in any published document that has yet been produced, is to be found in the Ninth Report of the Commissioners of Post-office Inquiry, issued in 1837. Anyone who will take the trouble to refer to that Report, will see that Sir (then Mr.) Rowland Hill, in his evidence before these Commissioners, proposed, as part of his plan of postal reform, the use of adhesive postage stamps.

For the convenience of your readers I give the following extract from his evidence: "Perhaps this difficulty" [that of employing envelopes in some cases] "might be obviated by using a bit of paper just large enough to bear the stamp, and covered at the back with a glutinous wash, which the bringer might, by the application of a little moisture attach to the back of the letter, so as to avoid the necessity of redirecting it." This evidence was given on the 13th of February, 1837, and the suggestion is repeated, word for word, in Mr. Rowland Hill's celebrated pamphlet, which is dated 22nd February, 1837.

When did Mr. James Chalmers first publish his suggestion? This question is fortunately decided beyond the possibility of doubt, by Mr. Jas. Chalmers' own letters, which are still in existence.

Where James Chalmers comes on the scene will perhaps be best understood by your readers when I mention that in August, 1839—some two and a half years after Mr. Hill's evidence had been given, and when the question of penny postage

had been successfully fought through Select Committees and Parliament—the Treasury (which had then decided to adopt his plan, including "stamped covers, stamped paper, and stamps to be used separately:" see Treasury Minutes) advertised for suggestions and designs from the public, and in reply to this invitation, some forty-nine individuals, including Mr. Jas. Chalmers, sent in proposals for adhesive labels, or "slips," as Mr. James Chalmers preferred to call them.

How crude and impracticable his suggestions were may be gathered from the fact that, except where envelopes were to be used, he advised the abandonment of gum (on account of the supposed difficulty of gumming large sheets of paper) and proposed that the stamps should be attached to letters by wafers or sealing wax!

Mr. James Chalmers, unaware of Mr. Rowland Hill's previous suggestions above quoted, and anxious, in view of the premium offered by the Treasury, to prove that he was the first to suggest adhesive stamps, states in his letter to Mr. Rowland Hill of October 1, 1839, "If slips are to be used, I flatter myself that I have a claim to priority in the suggestion, it being now nearly two years since I first made it public and submitted it in a communication to Mr. Wallace, M. P."

Nearly two years from October 1, 1839, carries one back to about the end of 1837; and in other documents which Mr. James Chalmers forwarded, he gives December, 1837, as the date of his communication to Mr. Wallace, and says that November, 1837, was the date at which he *first* published his plan. He himself puts the word "first" in italics.

Mr. James Chalmers' letters, therefore, prove beyond question, that the date at which he "first made his plan public" was at least eight or nine months after Mr. Rowland Hill, in his evidence and pamphlet, had published a similar but far more workable suggestion.

Mr. Chalmers' plans were not adopted, other and better designs having been sent

in; but he appears to have thought himself aggrieved, and Mr. Rowland Hill kindly sent him a copy of the Ninth Report, containing the evidence above referred to, in order that he might see he was mistaken in supposing he had been "first in the field." Mr. Chalmers thereupon, in a very creditable letter, dated May 18, 1840, which your readers will find published in "The Philatelic Record" of November, 1881, candidly and fully withdrew his claim to priority and expressed his regret that he had, in ignorance, put it forward.*

Against this clear and positive evidence, under Mr. James Chalmers' own hand, given, moreover, when the facts were fresh in his recollection, and when he had the strongest possible inducement to assign to his suggestions the earliest date that he could consistently with the truth, evidence which, I need scarcely point out, is absolutely destructive of Mr. Jas. Chalmers' claim—his son, Mr. Patrick Chalmers, sets some letters of very recent date (1882), which he says he has received from three or four old people, who say they recollect assisting Mr. Jas. Chalmers in setting up types and gumming paper for adhesive labels, *some forty or fifty years ago*, and that they believe the date to have been 1834!—a date, I may point out, when owing to the complicated and varying rates of postage then in force, nobody dreamed of prepaying their letters, and when postage stamps would consequently have been about as useful to the British public as flannel jackets to little niggers.

Would even five hundred such "recollections," forty or fifty years after the time, not as to *what* James Chalmers did, but as to *when* he did it, outweigh the clear (and positive statements contained in his own letters?

Can anyone suppose that this claim, if just, would have been permitted to slumber for forty years; or reconcile with

*This is also reprinted in "The Origin of Postage Stamps" pp. 21-2 and the whole paper which I read before the London Philatelic Society in November, 1881, is also reprinted, with copious notes, in the Supplement to The Origin of Postage Stamps—now issued.

one's ordinary notions of sanity, the manner in which this claim has been urged and persisted in after its worthlessness has been repeatedly exposed? The hint now given of a hope that money may be got by it from the Government may, perhaps, to cynical minds suggest an explanation of all that has taken place; but on the other hand, the very fact that anyone should for a moment believe the Treasury would entertain a demand so preposterous, is rather additional evidence that in some quarter or other, there must be an extraordinary hallucination.—[ST. MARTIN'S-LE-GRAND.

To the above letter the following note was added by the editor of the paper.

"[The above is written by a gentleman who holding a high official position in the Post-office, enjoys unusual facilities for knowing the facts concerning which he writes. We should be thankful if after this we might hear no more of a claim which for the last three years has been urged, in and out of season, *usque ad nauseam*.]"

The above letter to which no serious answer has, so far as I am aware, ever been attempted, is as applicable to the case now as it was when written five and a half years ago, and it is necessary here to explain the discreditable manoeuvre by which Mr. Patrick Chalmers endeavored to neutralize this exposure. Nearly half a year afterwards, i. e. in March 1884, when the above letter if it had ever been seen by the Secretary of the Post-office was pretty sure to have been forgotten, Mr. P. Chalmers wrote to him, and without making the slightest allusion to that letter, or to any of the other hundreds of statements which had appeared in the same newspaper, he asked the apparently simple question whether the "Postal, Telegraphic and Telephonic Gazette" was an official newspaper expressing the opinions of the Post-office. Now as there is but one official newspaper in this country, viz. The London Gazette, the answer he received was, as of course he knew it would be, in the negative; and it is this answer to a question perfectly irrelevant,

which he constantly advertises as an official letter from Her Majesty's Post-office, *repudiating the opinions of his opponents!*

That the "official letter from Her Majesty's Post-office" cannot possibly bear the interpretation which Mr. P. Chalmers puts upon it, will be seen from the following letter with which I was favored by Sir Arthur Blackwood, K. C. B., the Secretary of the Post-office, when I called his attention to Mr. Patrick Chalmers' proceedings:

"General Post Office, 7th July, 1887.

Dear Sir:

My letter to Mr. P. Chalmers of 24th March, 1884, was merely a reply in the negative to his question if the "Postal Telegraphic and Telephonic Gazette" was an official journal, in the sense that the Post Office was responsible for anything therein contained.

The accuracy or inaccuracy of any particular statement was not even raised in Mr. Chalmers' letter, and certainly was not referred to in mine.

Faithfully yours,

S. ARTHUR BLACKWOOD.

Pearson Hill, Esq."

This dishonest proceeding on Mr. P. Chalmers' part is but a sample of his conduct throughout the last eight or nine years. He began in his very first pamphlet, issued in 1880, by publishing a false and garbled version of the correspondence which had passed between us. Over and over again when charged with this fraud he has blankly denied it, until on my publishing in "The Dundee Advertiser" of the 30th April, 1883, the suppressed portions and showing their importance, he found further denial useless. Since then I have publicly charged him with giving false and misleading quotations from official and other documents, with falsification of dates, with fabricating fictitious documents, and with putting forward almost every modification of untruth in order to support what he well knows to be a fraudulent claim. There is but one way in which a man publicly accused of such frauds can clear his character, viz. by

bringing an action for libel against his accuser in the Courts of Law, and in 1883 and again in 1888, I have dared him to take this course, pointing out that if my charges be untrue he would inevitably recover not only all costs, but the heaviest pecuniary damages; and above all would obtain what any honest claimant in his position would value more highly than anything else, viz. the finest possible opportunity of bringing his father's claims before a tribunal where every statement for or against him must be made on oath, and be subjected to the severest cross examination. He would have everything to gain and nothing to lose by so doing if only he were speaking the truth; but for more than eight years since I first accused him of these frauds, he has preferred to put up with the gravest public imputation on his veracity; and though his cause must be fatally injured by his shrinking from the ordeal I have dared him to face, discretion is unfortunately his only part of valor, and in reply to my last challenge, he announces that he has "no intention of troubling the lawyers."

He seems to find consolation, however, by reiterating his false and cowardly slanders on my father's memory. This he can do with safety, for unfortunately the law of libel in this country affords no protection to the memory of the dead, but he is careful in all his contemptible statements about myself to keep just within the very wide limits of what the law will not punish so that he may run no risk of having to substantiate his assertions on oath. Could any conduct be more cowardly and contemptible?

Can anyone, knowing these facts, be surprised that I have long ago declined to enter into any further controversy with Mr. Patrick Chalmers, and have refused to trust him even with copies of his father's letters? For I have not the slightest doubt he seeks to obtain them merely in order that he may know how to frame his fictitious documents and false assertions so as to avoid being again exposed as he was in November 1881, by

evidence under his father's own hand. These letters, I may add, will be published when he can no longer use them for the purpose of misrepresentation, meanwhile I have placed them with Mr. Philbrick Q. C., the well-known philatelist, President of the London Philatelic Society, so that there may be no ground for the assertion that I am keeping back anything which would at all contradict the ample quotations therefrom, which I have given in my paper read before that society in November, 1881.

A few words may be useful as to the testimony by "living witnesses" i. e. by some old Dundee people, to whose letters genuine or otherwise, some gentlemen in America appear to attach so much importance—doubtless because their supposed recollections now form the sole ground upon which the claim that James Chalmers invented adhesive stamps in 1834 rests. Their whole evidence, as has already been pointed out, is flatly contradicted by the best possible authority on such a question, viz. by James Chalmers' own letters; but even had his letters never been preserved it would have been untrustworthy in the extreme, seeing that it depends wholly on the probability of old people who have preserved no record of a particular event, being able, fifty years afterwards, by their mere memories to give the date when it occurred.

Only one of these witnesses, Mr. Whitelaw, mentions any facts of public notoriety whereby the accuracy of his memory can be tested, and he shows conclusively by the very facts he mentions that the date cannot possibly have been 1834, but must have been some time subsequent to Sir Rowland Hill's proposals. That is to say he unintentionally entirely confirms James Chalmers' written testimony, and if his memory—the only one that can be tested—prove so faulty, why trust that of the other witnesses? It is urged, however, that the wrong date given by Mr. Whitelaw is confirmed by the other old people and that such confirmation implies either truth or a collusion. It need not imply

either the one or the other; it may merely prove that these old folks who as their letters show have long been in communication with Mr. P. Chalmers (a proved fabricator of false evidence) have been talked into the belief they now profess.

It is a most unusual thing to find even one old man with a memory for dates so extraordinary. It is of course easy enough, even after the lapse of very many years, to recollect the happening of an event, but it is most difficult in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred—especially after the lapse of half a century—to fix by mere memory the date at which it happened, and any one with a memory so marvellous would necessarily be considered a most remarkable man, whose reputation would scarcely be inferior to that of the Calculating Boy, and whose fame would never have been confined to his native town, and even these have remained so long hidden under a bushel; but we are gravely asked to believe that not merely one of Mr. James Chalmers' old employes now living possesses this extraordinary memory, *but that they all have it*, and moreover that whatever else they may have forgotten in the last fifty years, they all remember just exactly the thing their friend and patron Mr. P. Chalmers wants! Is it necessary to waste time in exposing an absurdity so self-evident?

The extraordinary manner in which, whenever the occasion requires it, Mr. P. Chalmers flatly contradicts his own statements should, I think, enable most people to form an accurate estimate of, let us say, his mental condition. I have always contended that the mere suggestion of employing adhesive stamps when other kinds of stamps were about to be used for postal purposes, was so self-evident that little or no credit can be claimed for having originated it, and in proof of this I point to the fact that forty-eight other persons besides Mr. J. Chalmers sent in such suggestions in 1839. Mr. Patrick Chalmers attempts to account for this by saying that Mr. Jas.

Chalmers' plan having been so widely talked about gave these forty-eight other persons scattered all over the country the hint. Now his main charge against Sir Rowland Hill for the last eight years has been that he suppressed James Chalmers' scheme in order to "secure to himself the credit! How can a scheme be dishonestly suppressed and at the same time widely known all over the kingdom?"

The claim put forward by Mr. P. Chalmers is a fraud from beginning to end and I must confess my amazement that anyone should place the slightest faith in such a tissue of misrepresentations as he has for the last eight years put forward, contradicted as it is by the published records of the Post-office and Parliamentary Committee of Inquiry, by James Chalmers' own written testimony, and discredited to the lowest depth by the fact that Mr. Patrick Chalmers has preferred for eight years to remain under the gravest public accusations of deliberate fraud, rather than face any examination where his statements would have to be given on oath.

Can none of his believers persuade him to screw up his courage to the sticking point and bring that action for libel, if my charges be untrue, which I have so often dared him to commence? If he has the slightest belief in his assertions why should he persistently refuse to take so easy a step to establish once for all what is the real truth.

PEARSON HILL.

13 April, 1889.

Philatelic Gossip.

H. E. French has sold the Canadian "Philatelic Journal."

A certain Quebec collector, it is rumored, sold his collection for \$750 to a New Brunswick man, who, in turn, sold it to a New York firm for \$1,200. So I am told by an honorable person. I have names of all parties.

"When a sheet of stamps is sent to a collector and he keeps them for over six months without answering five enquiry letters, what do you think of it?" That

is not a hard question. I would put him down as a would-be thief and act accordingly.

Here is an extract I received in a letter from the Treasury, Antigua, dated 24th April, 1889:—"No stamp of 1888 provisional 1d. blue or black was issued here. We have no covers." This from an official source speaks hard for that supposed provisional catalogued by Scott and others.

I am glad to see that the following are the exact words of the Granite State Philatelic Association resolution—"That this society express the belief that those who have decided in favor of James Chalmers did not give the matter sufficient study as to warrant such belief." Well done for the Granite State! That just makes eight societies who have had a rap at Patsy in the United States. Keep it up—the Chalmerites are sick of it already.

The latest pamphlet of Chalmers is doing more harm than good for the "craze." The very date of the paper placed in the South Kensington Museum by Sir Henry Cole (8th Feb. 1838) containing Chalmers suggestions, is fatal to any claim founded thereon in favor of James Chalmers having been the first to suggest adhesive postage stamps, for it is almost a year later than Sir Rowland Hill's evidence of 13th Feb., 1837, in which he had already proposed them. From beginning to end of the document there is not the slightest reference by James Chalmers of his having at anytime previously made any such a suggestion, so it is difficult for ordinary sane mortals to discover in it the "strong confirmatory evidence" which those who find salvation under the Chalmerite creed, must, I presume, have managed to detect. I don't suppose anyone in his senses can require any further rebuttal of the evidence which that document furnishes. Mr. Pearson Hill's last paper (March 1889) knocks the "Francis of the Atheneum" away out of the foul line. Can anything be more contemptible than Pat. Chalmers

conduct after publishing broadcast the vilest slanders, now setting up as the hater of hard words, and as an advocate of fair and open discussion? Here's your hat, Pat—take a trip to boy-editor *Figaro's* Slough of Despond and view the Elysium waters afar off. But, hold on, before you go—are you going to accept Mr. Pearson Hill's challenge to settle the dispute before a judicial tribune, or are you afraid of the result? Come now, own up like a man.

The annual convention of the C. P. A. will be held in Halifax during the summer carnival, commencing July 30th. The opportunity to witness the great *fetes* to be held in the city, the possible review of the British and French ironclad fleets as well as the land manoeuvres of the regular troops, will all have a tendency to cause many of our philatelists to take the trip to Halifax. No doubt very cheap rates by the ocean steamers will be arranged from Portland, Boston and New York, and what more delightful trip would one want for his mid-summer holidays than this. There will be, no doubt, a large attendance of Canadian collectors. As regards the election, Major Hechler will likely be again a candidate for President for another term.

Anent the note in the May "Eastern Philatelist" about the principal officers all being eastern men, it might be stated that the recommendation and desire of many western members was to have the Secretary appointed from Halifax, as then he would be on "the spot" when the Convention was held. It is believed Mr. D. A. King will be chosen as Secretary as too much changing does not work to advantage. No better Treasurer will be wanted than Harrison L. Hart. The offices of Provincial Vice-presidents may be done away with and in their place a Vice-President elected. This should be a collector situated at a distance from the President. The Counterfeit Detector must be near the Exchange Superintendent, and the latter office will be unanimously given to Major Grenny, who is now so ably conducting it. The offices

of Librarian and Purchasing Agent can be worked to be of some use to the Association, and the official organ and its management is all that can be desired.

Very little has been said of the choice for next Convention, but this will likely fall on either Montreal or Niagara Falls. If the A. P. A. Convention at St. Louis selects Niagara Falls it would be a good thing to have both Conventions at or about the same time. This will no doubt be considered, as well as the time of calling the convention, which can safely be left in the hands of the President or the Executive Committee.

The following are the candidates already announced as being in the field:—

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All the above have been nominated so far and it is expected there will be a large field with plenty of choice.

CANADENSIS.

Auction Sales.

The 2nd auction sale for May was R. R. Bogert & Co's. 14th Sale, which took place at Leavitt's on May 20 and 21. There were not many rarities in the catalogue, but stamps valued at two or three dollars apiece were quite numerous. About twenty-five bidders were on hand each session. Among the number may be noted Messrs. Corwin, Thorne, Bogert, Collin, Rasmus, Tuttle, Hobby, Nast, etc. Below will be found all prices of \$4.00 or over.

Lot No	United States and Foreign	Price.
11	Horseman Carrier, 1 "sent" red, error, used,	\$18.00
73	Entire unused sheet of 20 American Letter mail	4.20
88	Alabama Seal, \$2 blue, on document	4.10
93	Chicago Match Co., 3c black on old p.	5.10
182	Bermuda, 3d. on 2d. fancy letters, used	6.00
195	Bolivia, 1867, 5c violet used	4.10
209	Brazil, 1844, 600 r used	6.05
224	British Guiana, 1853, 1c red, used	4.00
420	Great Britain £5 used damaged	4.50
457	Hawaii, 1863, 2c black on blue used	4.10
665	N. S. Wales, 1853, 8d yellow, used	4.00

741 Peru, Medio Peso, Orange, damaged, used	5.00
773 Philippine Islands 1862, 1rl violet, unused	4.50
795 " " 1rl on 10p brown unused	4.90
966 Tasmania, 1853, 1d blue, used	4.10
973 Tolima, 1870, 5c on white, unused,	4.10
985 Trinidad, 1858 6d bad lithograph used	5.10
Total for 1090 lots,	\$1138.11

Scott's 92nd auction which was held at Bangs' on May 27th, was in many ways a memorable one. It was the highest priced one night sale yet held in this city. The British Guiana 4c blue, 1856, sold for \$260, which is the highest price yet realized for a single stamp at auction in this country. The stamp was started at \$100, then \$175 and \$225 was bid; by smaller amounts the final price was reached. It was knocked down to the Scott Co. The other bidders were Messrs. Corwin and J. W. Scott. A magnificent lot of Afghanistan stamps were offered and were all bought by the Scott Co. The whole set realized the neat sum of over \$700. The entire collection belonged to Dr. Weaver, of Washington, D. C. The sale started at 8 p. m. and was concluded by 11. A pleasing innovation in the catalogue was the fact that all reprints were noted as such. Lots 131 and 448 which contained great rarities, were not offered. The collection was remarkable in the fact that it contained very few scarce stamps, but was composed of great rarities and common stamps. About forty philatelists were in attendance. Among the number we noticed Messrs. Sanford, Burger, J. W. Scott, Gregory, Corwin, Sterling, Collin, Thorne, H. Calman, G. Calman, Rothfuchs (of Washington, D. C.) and H. O. Harris, of Doylestown, Pa.

Following are given prices of \$6 or over. Everything is unused unless otherwise noted.

Lot No	United States	Price.
3	1857, 5c red brown	\$ 6.25
7	1866 3c scarlet	6.50
15	Brattleboro, 1846, 5c, one of the three specimens known on original letter, Calman	150.00
16	New York 3c buff Mr. Sanford,	75.00
17	New York 3c on glazed paper, used	7.50
21	Providence 10c. used	11.25
22	St. Louis, 5c. die C, side trimmed	29.00
23	" 10c die A, slight tear, used	20.50
56	Blood, 1845, Type I, used, Confederate States.	8.00
61	Athens, 5c purple, used, Scott Co.	25.00
64	Fredericksburg. 10c red	10.00
74	Nashville, 5c carmine, used,	6.50
77	Pleasant Shade, Va. 5c. blue, damaged Foreign.	6.00
101	Barbadoes, 1878, 1p on half of 5s, used	6.25
109	Bolivia, 1861, 10c brown,	9.50
112	" 50c blue	10.00
113	" 100c blue green,	10.00
115	" 1871, 11 stars, 500c black	15.00
117	" Antofagasta, 10c blue, entire env. used	16.00
128	British Columbia, 10 blue and pink	6.75
130	British Guiana, 1850, 4c octagonally cut, and damaged, Mr. Sterling	55.00
132	British Guiana, 12c blue, similar condition	23.00
133	" " ship in shield, Patimus,	7.50
134	" " 1c magenta, used	14.00
	4c blue	

137	" " type set, ship in oblong, four cts magenta postmasters endorsement used	40.00
138	same as last, but in blue, Scott Co.	260.00
139	British Guiana, Provisional type set, 2c yellow used, postmaster's endorsement	17.00
152	Canada, 1858, 6p lilac perforated used	8.25
160	Ceylon, 1879 2r 50c.	7.75
181	France 1849, 1fr. vermilion, used	12.50
189	Great Britain, 1p VII. endorsed by Edw. Pemberton,	28.25
192	Great Britain £1, 1878,	6.40
217	India, 1855, 2 annas, green, perf. Afghanistan all purchased by Scott Co.	27.00
220	1870, 2 shahi black	15.00
221	1870, 4 shahi black	15.50
222	1871, 8 shahi mauve	52.00
223	1871, 1 rupee mauve	55.00
232	1873, 4 shahi black	16.00
233	8 shahi, 1873, black	12.00
234	a variety of the last	12.00
235	1874, 2 shahi black	22.00
235	1874, 4 shahi black	26.00
237	2 shahi mauve 1874	10.00
238	1874 2 shahi brownish mauve	11.00
239	1874, 4 shahi mauve	12.00
240	1874 4 shahi brownish mauve	16.00
241	1875, 2 shahi black	52.00
242	1875, 4 shahi black	52.00
243	1875, 8 shahi black	52.00
244	1875, 4 shahi mauve	52.00
245	1875, 8 shahi mauve	52.00
246	1875, 1 rupee mauve	52.00
274	Soruth, 1877, 1 a black on blue paper	7.00
289	Mauritius, 1847, 1p red, white paper used	6.80
293	" 2p blue, white p. early impression, but damaged, used	8.50
294	" but variety PENCE, used	9.00
297	" Britannia, green surcharged 4p	10.00
298	" 1868, 2p, blue, the rare fillet Lead used, Scott Co.	50.00
301	" Greek border, 1p scarlet, used	7.95
318	Mexico, 1868, imp. 100c brown on brown, used,	6.00
331	Natal, 1857, 9p blue used and fine	25.00
334	Natal, 1858, 1p blue used	9.00
344	New Brunswick Schilling used, Scott Co.	25.25
346	Newfoundland, 4p. orange vermilion	10.00
348	" 6 1-2p. scarlet vermilion	12.00
352	N. S. Wales, 1850 Sydney view, 2p blue, vertical lines, used, very fine	7.25
399	St. Vincent, 4d. on 1s vermilion	6.75
413	Spain, 1852, 2r red heavily cancelled	12.50
416	Spain, 1858 2r. scarlet, very fine used	11.25
424	Switzerland, Geneva, 10c cut in two, used	8.50
440	Tuscany, 60c red, damaged	7.50
447	Antioqua, 1868, 2 1-2c blue used Scott Co.	40.00
455	Bolivar, 1863, 10c green used	20.25
	Total for 464 lots	\$2,696.00

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Communication.

CHICAGO, June 7, 1889.

John M. Hubbard, Lake Village, N. H.

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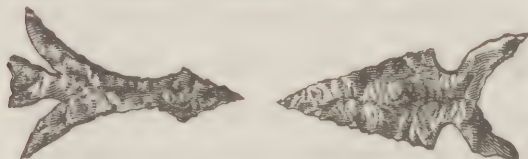
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The Postal Service of the Republic of Salvador.

BY SAMUEL C. DAWSON.

As it has generally happened in almost every country in Europe and America, the development of the postal service has not only been slow and difficult but also very defective. For a very long time, and supported by the proverbial civility of the inhabitants of the country and especially in the inland towns, it was the custom to beg of travelers the carrying of letters and packets to friends and relatives living in the cities to which they were bound. Travelers, as a general rule, never refused to comply with the demands of letter senders and went so far in their kindness as to send word to their acquaintances of their short coming departure to such or such a town, stating their readiness and good will to be useful to those who wished to accept them.

Correspondence with foreign countries was a matter of great moment and so difficult, that as may be supposed, transactions of every kind were not only slow but hazardous. It was customary to trouble passengers leaving the ports, captains of sailing vessels, when there were any at hand, relatives or friends bound for Europe or the States on some business or pleasure trip, with letters or packets. On the arrival of some steamer bringing correspondence from abroad, some enterprising post-man of his own accord—and oftener through permission of the Government—would bring the mail to town and charge the owners for the same from 25c to a dollar and more, according to the weight of the letter. Merchants paid willingly then what they would consider exorbitant today and the reason for that was that what they paid the post-man was a good deal less than what it would cost them to send a

mounted servant to the sea-port. Government had nothing at all to do with what was considered absolutely a private concern, and on this same principle it employed national postmen only for its use.

So matters stood till about 1850 when the postal service was organized under Government supervision; but still merchants adhered to the old custom of employing a postman of their own to bring their mail from the ports, alleging the irregularity of the national couriers who brought it.

Ten years later Salvador stamps were still unknown and the post-master of the only office then existing used a seal that said "Franqueado en San Salvador" or "Posted in San Salvador" which he stamped on the envelope on receipt of what he charged for mailing the letter, handed to him for that purpose.

It was not till 1867 that the Government had issued in New York the 1-2 real (6 1-4c) blue; 1 real (12 1-2c) red; 2 reales (25c) green and 4 reales (50c) brown.

In 1874, on account of having discovered some counterfeits of the above mentioned stamps, it was ordered in the head office, to surcharge (contra sello) the rest of the issue of '67 as a measure to prevent the circulation of the non genuine.

In 1879 a new issue was ordered. This was engraved and printed by an able artist of the country, Mr. Rufino Flamen-co. It consisted of the 1c green, 2c red, 5c blue, 10c black and 20c violet. By this time the Government required the payment of telegraphic messages in stamps and before a special issue of same was ordered in the States, the Flamenco stamps were surcharged "Contra Sello" to meet the necessity while the new ones came. Postal Cards began to be used

about the same year, when the 2c red single and 2c red double, or answer paid for the interior of the country, and the 3c blue single and 3c blue double, or answer paid for abroad, were issued. Under the actual Post Master General, Mr. Salvador J. Carazo, the postal service, it can be safely assured, has acquired an importance it never was thought to attain, chiefly due to his great activity, his practical knowledge of the matter and his dedication to every branch of the postal business.

The benefits of the post-office have been gradually extended even to third rate towns in the interior. The communications have become more frequent and regular. Arrangements have often been entered into with the neighboring republics of Central America towards facilitating international postal relations. Treaties have been signed with several countries for the interchange of postal parcels and post-office money orders; the use of statistical accounts has been introduced; in a word the postal service of Salvador has reached today as high a degree of regularity as any of its kind in any country in the world. Amongst the many improvements due to the actual Post Master General, leaving aside those already stated, stamped envelopes may be mentioned, issued in 1887 for the first time in the country. These were of three denominations, 5c blue with Morazan's (1) bust; 10c red, with an Indian's head, and 11c lilac, with the "escudo" or coat of arms of the Republic.

During that same year of '87, the 3c. brown (2) and the 10c orange stamps were issued. In 1888 and 1889 a few changes have taken place in color and design of envelopes. For instance, the 11c lilac into olive, and a new issue of 5c engraved in white, blue and amber paper. A new issue of the 5c blue stamps was also made.

Perhaps it would not be out of place to state at the conclusion of the present article that the postal revenues of the nation are not sufficient to defray the expenses caused by the Service, and that

the budget appropriates a certain amount towards the covering of the deficit. This is a fact which, as it can be easily seen, highly honors the Government since it procures an immense benefit to the country even at the cost of sacrifices.

(1) General Francisco Morazan was the last President of the Central American Confederation, the hero of many battles fought for the union of the Republics, and the martyr of the great desideratum of all good Central Americans. He was born in the city of Tegucigalpa, Honduras, and was shot in San Jose, Costa Rica, the 15th of Sept. 1842. His memory is cherished throughout the country.

(2) The drawing of this stamp represents the republic in a standing position with a banner in her right. In the background can be seen the Lake of Ylopango, a beautiful sheet of water only a few miles from the Capital. It is surrounded by lofty mountains and green hills having the appearance of a silver mirror in a frame of emeralds. In the centre of this lake rose a volcano in 1880, pouring vast quantities of steam and volumes of red hot stones accompanied by thundering noises, amid the mad trembling of the earth, in a radius of more than thirty miles. The scene was grand and terrible. Although no lives were lost, many buildings suffered, and those who witnessed the birth of that little submarine crater will long remember it.

Foreign Philatelic Jottings.

A dead-letter stamp or "official seal" is chronicled for Siam.

The Nederland Society has a collection of 1704 counterfeit stamps, all different.

The *stamp* recently attributed to the Indian state of Oudeypoor turns out not to be a stamp at all. The minister of the State says it is "an impression of the seal of the State army office, which is not now in use."

The N. Y. Eden Musee exhibited the pick of the joint collections of three societies, showing 10,000 stamps including local posts, etc. One amateur collector at the Amsterdam exposition exhibited 12,170 *postage* stamps alone, not a fiscal in it. So "Le Timbre" says.

The C. P. A. Convention will be held in

Halifax early in August during the summer Carnival to be held there. The Carnival will be one of the largest and grandest events that ever took place in Canada. A number of United States and western Canada philatelists will probably be there.

When the British Guiana government ran out of regular issue postage they generally resorted to type-set designs, but in May last they utilized the 2c fiscal for postage, thus creating another provisional. After using it a few days they were surcharged with a "2" in red, making a second variety. Both are rare, as the regular issue was shortly at hand.

I have before me "La Revista Filatelica," a stamp paper published in U. S. of Colombia. I wonder if my letters in Spanish look like their English. Here is some of it:—"Devoted to be the organ of Philatelic interests. Single copies 005; before numbers 10c. The payment for subscriber in the Interior of the Republic is in note. Foreign subscribers will pay in American or English notes or clean stamps for all concerning the paper."

Stamp counterfeiters are now being attended to in the father-land of bogus stamps, Germany. 50,000 Baden 18 kr. and 30 kr. and local post stamps were counterfeited and placed in the market at 50c apiece. The authorities arrested three men at Carlsruhe, and the trial resulted as follows: Urban Schmitt, who gave the order to make the stamps, got four months in prison; August Schmitt, who put them in circulation, got six weeks; and the printer, Fred Gockel, received three weeks.

A certain Placido Ramonde Torres alias Riuz Fernandos Pallavicini, of Malaga, has been manufacturing and selling counterfeit stamps, superior imitations. He was arrested at Bremen for duping collectors in Hamburg, Hanover and Berlin and released with a condition. Shortly after, being again charged with the same offence the Bremen Court ordered the arrest of

Torres on the 16th of April last. In his possession was found an enormous quantity of Spanish, Italian and South American counterfeits. He was found guilty on four specific charges and condemned to seven months in prison with a fine of 1200 marks. The stamps seized were confiscated and destroyed by the court.

The following were the prize winners at the Amsterdam exposition:—For the expositor of the greatest number of rare stamps, 1st prize, medal, Mr. H. J. Provo Kluit, of la Haye; 2nd prize, A. H. Wilson, London, England. For the most complete collection of postage stamps, entire, etc. of one country, 1st, Mr. C. Joris, Munich, (Bavaria complete); 2nd, O. Pfenniger, St. Gall (Swiss complete); 3rd, M. Borressen, Drammen (Norway complete); 4th, Carl George, la Haye, (Portugal and colonies); 5th, Carl Max Richter, Leipzig, (Spain and colonies). For the most complete collection of stamps of Europe, 1st prize, Magdebourg Philatelic Society; 2nd, Jas. Lindan, St. Gall. For the most complete collection of envelopes and cards, 1st prize, Dr. J. P. Kloss, Leipzig, (United States); 2nd, K. F. Marius, Amsterdam; 3rd, H. J. Provo Kluit, la Haye. For the author of the best works on Philately, 1st, J. B. Moens, Brussels; 2nd, C. Lindenberg, Berlin. For the editor of the most practical album, 1st, Ernest Heitmann, Leipzig, for the Schwanenberg albums; 2nd, Richard Senf, Leipzig, for the Schanbeck albums.

CANADENSIS.

New Stamps for Salvador.

SAN SALVADOR, May 16th, 1889.

Mr. John M. Hubbard,
Lake Village, N. H.

Dear Sir:

I enclose a contract concluded between Mr. N. F. Seebeck, Secretary of the Hamilton Bank Note Co., of New York, and the Director General of Posts of Salvador, Mr. Salvador J. Carazo.

You will see by it that said Company will engrave and print at its own cost and

for the space of ten years all the stamps, stamped envelopes, postal cards and wrappers of Salvador—and will receive in payment from the Government of this place, at the end of each year, all the stamps, etc. that remain unsold, and the faculty to issue any quantity more to meet the demands of dealers and collectors.

The Company will monopolize the stamps of Salvador and also of Honduras, Guatemala, Nicaragua and probably Costa Rica, and dealers who don't supply themselves in quantities, of all the varieties issued during the year, that will be put in use in each country, will have to pay whatever the Company, as sole holder, will wish to charge.

I remain yours respectfully,

SAMUEL C. DAWSON.

THE CONTRACT

Was signed on the 27th day of March, 1889, between the Postmaster-General of the Republic of Salvador, authorized to that effect by the Supreme Government of said Republic, on the one part, and Mr. Nicholas F. Seebeck, Secretary of the Hamilton Bank Note Engraving Company, of New York, on the second part, in the following terms:

1. N. F. Seebeck, in representation of the above named company, binds himself to supply, free of any cost, to the mail service of Salvador, such quantities of the necessary postal issues as will be hereinafter determined, for the period of ten successive years, commencing from the date of the present agreement, according to the designs which the General Management will supply on the first day of each year, it being understood that same will be modified annually in a manner that the issues of each period of twelve months be perfectly distinct from those preceding and following them, while the type adopted for each year's series of postal issues must be uniform.

2. The stamps will be engraved on steel plates in the most artistic manner, and in a way that will render them impossible to counterfeit, in the following

quantities, which may be increased in case the requirements of the mail service render it necessary to do so; viz:

1,500,000 stamps of 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 20, 25 and 50 cents, and \$1.00.

10,000 postal cards of 2, 2x2, 3, 3x3, cts.

25,000 stamped envelopes of 5, 10, 11, 20 and 22 cents.

10,000 newspaper bands of 3, 6, 12 1-2 and 25 cents.

3. The postal issues must be delivered, faultless, by the company to the Representative of Salvador in New York, on the 15th day of November of each year, preceding the one for which they are destined, with the express condition that before said delivery be effected, and immediately on concluding the printing of the issues for which they have served, the matrices of the postal issues, sealed by the Representative of Salvador and for the company, will be deposited with the Safe Deposit Company of New York, from whose possession they cannot be withdrawn except by means of the fulfilment of the conditions hereinafter expressed.

4. It is understood that the company cannot make, of the issues which it prepares for the end of each year, larger quantities than those expressed in the instructions which it receives to that effect, from the General Management, with authority from the Supreme Government, and that it will conform itself literally to the tenor of said instructions with regard to the colors of each value, and to the design.

5. The Government on its part agrees to have prepared by the General Director of Mails, the necessary models and instructions in order that the company can fill its engagement, binding itself to have both placed in the company's hands, in the month and day indicated in Article 1 of each year preceding the one in which the new issues must be put into circulation.

6. In compensation of the disbursements made by the company, in engraving and furnishing the postal issues in question, the Supreme Government of Salva-

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will only comprise for the current year a series of stamps of 3, 5, 10, 20, 25 and 50 cents and \$1.00; the other postal issues being engraved in the quality which is determined in the Article 2 of the present agreement.

able advance over the prices charged by the syndicate. On the whole the sale was one of the most successful of the season.

Following will be found a few of the prices realized :

void as far as possible it might arise between parties on account of the of the preceding clauses, company binds itself to in favor of the inter-

ent can be renewed by the Supreme Government Engraving Company or the other, or if the parties deem it expedient to annul it by giving that effect through the Government in New York City, or the company in this city, in accordance with the instructions which they receive from the Supreme Government, and the engraving company.

of, we sign two copies in San Salvador, on the month of March. of

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J. SEEBECK, Secretary.

on Sales.

Co's. 15th sale took place on the evenings of June 15th and 16th. Forty collectors were present and the number were large. Corwin Thorne, Charles Bogert, Wylie, J. Scott, Tuttle & Co. of stamped envelopes and foreign stamps. High prices were attained for the recently issued dies and errors in the series were offered and a set of the "pool" was sold and several of the series were sold down at a considerable

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I remain yours truly

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Each.			
1847 5c brown,	\$.10	" 12c dark purple,	.50
" 10c black,	.50	" 15c orange,	.50
1851 1c blue,	.03	" 24c purple,	.50
" 5c brown,	1.00	" 30c black,	.50
" 10c green,	.15	" 90c carmine,	1.00
" 12c black,	.25	1872 7c vermilion,	.10
1856 24c lilac,	1.50	" 24c purple,	.15
" 30c orange,	1.50	" 90c carmine,	.05
" 90c blue,	1.50	1888 90c purple,	.05
" 5c brown,	1.00	1849 1c rose,	5.00
1857 5c red brown,	3.00	" 1c yellow,	3.00
" 5c brown,	.40	" 1c buff,	5.00
1855 10c green,	.03	1851 1c black,	2.00
1857 12c black,	.10	" 1c red,	5.00
1860 24c lilac,	.40	1885 10c blue,	.62
" 30c orange,	.50	Newspaper.	
" 90c blue,	1.50	1865 5c blue,	3.00
1861 5c brown,	.05	" 10c green,	1.00
" 5c yellow,	2.00	" 25 red,	1.00
" 12c black,	.03	1867 5c blue,	.25
" 24c lilac,	.05	1875 2c black,	.05
" 30c orange,	.15	" 3c black,	.10
" 90c blue,	.60	" 4c black,	.10
1862 5c chocolate,	.15	" 6c "	.10
1866 15c black,	.05	" 8c "	.10
" 24c mauve,	.10	" 9c "	.25
1868 1c blue,	.03	" 10c "	.15
" 5c brown,	.20	1885 1c "	.05
" 10c green,	.03	1875 12c carmine,	.25
" 12c black,	.10	" 24c "	.25
" 15c black,	.05	" 36c "	.25
" 24c lilac,	.40	" 48c "	.50
" 30c orange,	.60	" 60c "	.50
" 90c blue,	1.75	" 72c "	1.00
1869 1c buff,	.02	" 84c "	1.00
" 6c blue,	.05	" 96c "	1.00
" 10c yellow,	.05	" 192c brown,	1.50
" 12c green,	.10	" 3d scarlet,	1.50
" 15c brown & blue,	.20	Agriculture Dept.	
" 24c green & black,	.75	1873 1c straw,	.15
" 30c blue & carmine,	.50	" 2c "	.15
" 90c black & carmine	3.00	" 3c "	.02
1870 6c pink,	.50	" 6c "	.05
1871 7c vermilion,	.50	" 10c "	.10
1870 10c brown,	.50	" 12c "	.50
		" 15c "	.35

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" 24c "	.40	" 24c "	.15
" 30c "	.40	" 30c "	.03
Executive.		" 90c "	.15
" 1c carmine,	1.50	Post Office Seal Stamps.	
" 2c "	1.00	1872 Registered, green,	.03
" 3c "	1.00	1877 Officially sealed, b ^w wn	
" 6c "	2.00	(P. Obitum)	3.00
" 10c "	1.50	1879 Officially sealed, b ^w wn	
Interior.		Lithographed.	.03
" 1c vermillion,	.01	1888 Officially sealed, "	.03
" 10c "	.05	State.	
" 12c "	.05	1873 1c green,	.10
" 15c "	.03	" 2c "	.10
" 24c "	.05	" 3c "	.10
" 30c "	.10	" 6c "	.10
" 90c "	.15	" 7c "	.15
Justice.		" 10c "	.15
" 1c purple,	.10	" 12c "	.25
" 2c "	.10	" 15c "	.35
" 3c "	.05	" 24c "	.35
" 6c "	.05	" 30c "	.65
" 10c "	.15	" 90c "	1.50
" 12c "	.25	" 2d black & green,	2.00
" 15c "	.40	" 5d "	5.00
" 24c "	.50	" 10d "	8.00
" 30c "	1.00	" 20d "	12.00
" 90c "	2.00	Treasury.	
Navy.		" 7c brown,	.10
" 1c blue,	.10	" 24c "	.50
" 2c "	.05	" 90c "	.03
" 3c "	.01	War.	
" 6c "	.05	" 7c red,	.20
" 7c "	.75	" 24c "	.05
" 10c "	.15	" 90c "	.10
" 12c "	.15	Per Hundred.	
" 15c "	.15	1851 3c red,	\$.30
" 24c "	.40	1857 1c blue,	2.00
" 30c "	.40	1856 3c red,	.25
" 90c "	1.25	1861 1c blue,	.30
Post Office.		1863 2c black,	.65
" 1c black,	.03	" 3c rose,	.20
" 2c "	.03	1868 2c black,	1.50
" 6c "	.01	1868 3c rose,	.30
" 10c "	.10	1869 2c brown,	1.00
" 12c "	.03	" 3c blue,	.25
" 15c "	.03	1870 1c blue,	2.00

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engraving company.

of, we sign two copies
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NOTE ENGRAVING CO.,
J. SEEBECK, Secretary.

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was one of the most successful of the
season.

Following will be found a few of the
prices realized:

for the space of ten years stamped envelopes, post wrappers of Salvador—a payment from the Government place, at the end of each stamps, etc. that remain faculty to issue any quantity to meet the demands of dealers.

The Company will stamps of Salvador and Honduras, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and dealers will themselves in quantities, stamps issued during the year put in use in each country pay whatever the Company holder, will wish to charge.

I remain yours truly

SAMUEL

THE CONTRACT

Was signed on the 27th of 1889, between the Postmaster the Republic of Salvador that effect by the Supreme said Republic, on the one Nicholas F. Seebeck, of Hamilton Bank Note Engraving of New York, on the second following terms:

1. N. F. Seebeck, in consideration of the above named company to supply, free of any cost, the postage of Salvador, such necessary postal issues as after determined, for the successive years, commencing from the date of the present agreement to the designs which the company will supply on each year, it being understood that the issues of each period of months be perfectly distinct from the preceding and following type adopted for each year, and that the postal issues must be uniform.

2. The stamps will be engraved on steel plates in the most artistic manner, and in a way that will render them impossible to counterfeit, in the following

1870 2c brown,	2.00	1873 6c	.30
" 6c green,	1.00	" 10c "	3.00
1872 1c blue,	.01	" 12c "	1.50
" 2c brown,	.02	" 15c "	1.00
" 3c green,	.01	" 30c "	1.50
" 6c pink,	.40	Envelopes cut square,	.20
" 10c brown,	.25	Rapid Telegraph.	
" 12c dark purple,	2.00	1881 1, 3 & 5c	.75
" 15c orange,	.35	" 10, 15 & 20c	1.00
" 30c black,	2.00	" 25 & 50c	2.00
1875 2c vermilion,	.08	Mutual Union,	2.00
" 5c blue,	.50	Baltimore & Ohio,	.50
1882 5c brown,	.30	Match Stamps,	.10
" 1c light blue,	.01	Medicine "	.15
1883 2c claret,	.02	2c revenue, any issue,	.05
" 4c green,	.35	1, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 10c,	.07
1887 3c vermilion,	.05	15, 20, 25, 30, 40 & 50c,	.25
1888 5c indigo blue,	.05	Any other values,	1.00
" 30c puce brown,	.20	Playing Card stamps,	.50
Unpaid Letter Stamps.		Square-cut Env. "	.03
1879 1c red brown,	.75	Confederate States,	1.00
" 2c "	.25	Foreign per 100.	
" 3c "	.25	Argentine Rep.	.50
" 5c "	.30	Austrian Italy,	.30
" 10c "	.50	Baden,	.50
" 30c "	2.00	Barbados,	.20
" 50c "	3.00	Brazil,	.25
Interior.		Bosnia,	.50
1873 2c vermilion,	.30	British Guiana,	.20
" 3c "	.20	Bulgaria,	.50
" 6c "	1.00	Canada,	.02
Post Office.		Cape of Good Hope,	.10
" 3c black,	.10	Ceylon,	.10
Treasury.		Chili,	.25
" 1c brown,	1.00	Cuba,	.25
" 2c brown,	.50	Cyprus,	.25
" 3c "	.20	Denmark,	.05
" 6c "	1.00	Dutch Indies,	.25
" 10c "	1.00	Egypt,	.25
" 12c "	.70	Finland,	.15
" 15c "	1.00	France,	.10
" 30c "	2.50	Greece,	.15
War.		Heligoland,	.25
" 1c red,	.25	Hawaiian Islands,	.40
" 2c "	.60	Hungary,	.03
" 3c "	.20	India,	.10

the new issues must be put into circulation.

6. In compensation of the disbursements made by the company, in engraving and furnishing the postal issues in question, the Supreme Government of Salva-

dor agrees to cede to the company the stock which, on the conclusion of each year, may be in its possession upon the previous declaration of their nullity on the first day of January of each year, whatever be the quantity thereof; binding itself moreover not to sell stamps or any other issue mentioned for less than their nominal value, while they are in use.

7. This stock will be delivered without any cost whatever, by the Government of Salvador, to the Representative of Mr. Seebeck in this Capitol on the first day of February of each year, for the term of the present agreement.

8. Upon the representative of Salvador being notified by the supreme government that the issues of each successive year being declared void and not receivable for postage, and advice having been given to that effect to the engraving company, the latter can withdraw from the safe deposit already mentioned, the matrices of the postal issues, and break, in the presence of the representative, the seals referred to in Article 2, for the purpose of using the plates to make such reprints as the engraving company may want to sell to stamp dealers and collectors.

9. It is understood that the issues of each year will be delivered in Salvador, thirty days before the appointed time for their being put into use.

10. As an exception, the remainders that will result on the 31st of December of the current year, of the 1 cent and 2 cent stamps recently ordered from the American Bank Note Company of New York, will only pass into the hands of the Hamilton Company, whatever be the date of their delivery, until the 31st of December of 1890, so that the issue which the company will have ready in November according to the terms of this contract, will only comprise for the current year a series of stamps of 3, 5, 10, 20, 25 and 50 cents and \$1.00; the other postal issues being engraved in the quality which is determined in the Article 2 of the present agreement.

11. In order to avoid as far as possible all differences that might arise between the contracting parties on account of the wording of some of the preceding clauses, the engraving company binds itself to interpret the same in favor of the interests of Salvador.

12. This agreement can be renewed by mutual consent of the Supreme Government and the Hamilton Engraving Company, but in case one or the other, or both the contracting parties deem it convenient it can be annulled by giving one year's notice to that effect through the Representative of Salvador in New York and that of the company in this city, according to the instructions which the former may receive from the Supreme Government of the Republic, and the latter from the engraving company.

In witness whereof, we sign two copies of the same tenor, in San Salvador, on the 27th day of the month of March, of 1889.

SALVADOR J. CARAZO.

HAMILTON BANK NOTE ENGRAVING CO.,
By N. F. SEEBECK, Secretary.

Auction Sales.

R. R. Bogert & Co's. 15th sale took place at Leavitt's on the evenings of June 10 and 11. Over thirty collectors were in attendance; among the number were noticed Messrs. Sterling, Corwin, Thorne, Sanford, R. S. Hatcher, Bogert, Wylie, Collin, Rechert, J. W. Scott, Tuttle &c. A very fine collection of stamped envelopes, U. S. revenue, and foreign stamps were offered and high prices were attained throughout. A number of the recently resurrected rejected dies and errors in U. S. envelopes were offered and brought high prices. A set of the "pool" envelopes of 1886 was sold and several of them were knocked down at a considerable advance over the prices charged by the syndicate. On the whole the sale was one of the most successful of the season.

Following will be found a few of the prices realized:

Lot	U. S. Entire Enve'opes	Price.
1	1853, 3c die I on white note, H 3-4 used	\$ 7.50
11	1853, 3c shape C on white, H 14 used,	8.00
27	1860, 4c on buff patent lines, H 37 1-2 used	10.00
79	July 84, 2c wrapper printed in red unused	9.00
81	2c red on blue, same, size 2	9.00
111	proof of 2c rejected die No. 1 (Tiffany) in brown on blue paper size 5	5.50
112	same as last but in lilac on blue paper	5.50
113	Rejected die of 1c 1887, white, size 4 1-2 unused, Mr. Sterling	24.00
U. S. Stamps.		
134	America stamp on lease of 1769, double im.	1.00
144	1860, 24c proof imperforate	5.25
152	1857, 5c red brown unused	7.30
153	1866, 3c scarlet,	5.75
157	1867, 3c grilled all over unused	6.00
196	Executive set unused	8.25
212	State cancelled to order, \$10	5.25
213	same, \$20	8.00
260	6c prop, used,	8.00
267	\$20 prob. of Will, stitched,	5.25
268 & 269	others, each	7.25
270	Another not stitched, bnt color almost b'wn	6.50
274	First issue revenue, \$200 perf.	6.25
286	Second, \$200	9.50
299	Proprietary, 2c inverted head, Match.	6.50
310	Doolittle, 1c blue old paper	6.20
309	Chicago, 3c black ditto	7.25
314	Gorman & Bro. 1 black, ditto,	13.00
321	Macklin 1c black	30.00
324	Pierce, 1c green,	15.00
328	Alexander, 1c blue, silk p. slight damage	25.00
340	New York, 5c blue ditto	6.50
359	Match Wrapper Powell on buff paper	8.00
Medicine.		
362	Ayer, 4c red, old paper, slight damage	54.00
371	Bazin, 2c blue, torn, old paper	6.50
374	Drake, 2c black old paper,	17.00
377	Husband, 2c violet, very fine, old paper	31.00
382	Jayne, 1c blue perf, old paper,	7.25
384	Kelly, 40 black, old paper,	6.15
386	Littlefield 4c green old paper	5.50
387	Lippman, 4c blue, old paper,	6.50
389	Marsden 2c blue,	14.00
414	Lippman, 4c blue, silk paper,	5.50
Foreign.		
562	British Guiana, 1856, 4c magenta cut to shape, used on env.	16.00
563	Br. Guiana, Block of 4, 1c magenta, used on letter, three of stamps damaged, the lot	31.00
586	Confederate, Baton Rouge, used on letter, damaged	11.50
591	same, Petersburg used on "envelope"	5.75
626	N. S. Wales, pair of 1d on original env. no clouds, date	10.00
677	Philippine, 1854, 5c head in circle used	5.10
697	Spain, 1851, 2rls. red unused fine	26.00
U. S. Entire Envelopes.		
737	1860, 1c on orange, Specimen	5.25
738	" 1c on buff, no period H 31 unused	11.50
739	" 4c on buff, ruled lines H 37 1-2 "	26.00
741	1861, 6c white, H 70 1-2 Specimen	5.25
789	War, Reay, 10c unused	43.00
Plimpton Issues.		
793	3c die A, amber size 5 round gum unused	5.00
794	3c on fawn, size 7 H 355, unused	17.00
795	5c die C on cream, size 7 unused	10.00
805	24 on amber, size 7 unused	5.75
806	24 on white, size 8 unused	5.75
812	90 on cream size 7 unused	8.50
815	1c on manilla size 4, wmk. P.O.D	5.25
817	2c on blue, new knife 2, '82 wmk.	5.50
818	90c on amber size 8, '82 wmk.	15.00
819	90c on blue, size 8, '82 wmk	16.00
Foreign Envelope.		
860	Mech Schwerin 1856, 5 sch blue, large inscription,	5.25
892	Large blank book, cost \$25,	5.15
	Total for 893 lots about	\$2,040.00

CORTLANDT F. BISHOP.

Editorial Notes.

Mr. C. B. Corwin, of New York, is continually fighting against the dealers and proclaiming himself a collector only. It happens just now that a certain Chicago collector and dealer has a large batch of stamps, amounting to several hundred dollars, which he is selling on commission for a Mr. C. B. Corwin, of New York. The stamps are priced at about usual dealers' prices, and it looks as if Mr. Corwin while running down dealers in general, is doing a thriving business himself. If the information at my disposal is correct. Mr. Corwin does a business in stamps that far exceeds that done by nine-tenths of the firms advertising as dealers. Perhaps it would be well to have the term "dealer" properly defined. —[Philately. Comment is unnecessary.

The Nova Scotia branch of the Canada Philatelic Association has nominated Mr. Henry Hechler as its candidate for re-election to the Presidency of the Association. Mr. Hechler is widely known as an expert and as an enthusiastic philatelist, and the N. S. branch has done itself credit for leading off in nominating him. We learn that President Hechler intends making a tour of Europe this summer, leaving Halifax about the middle of August, and that one of his prime objects will be to visit the various Philatelic societies in England and the Continent with a view to drawing the lines of affiliation between the kindred societies on both sides of the water. He will represent both the Canada Philatelic Association and the National Philatelic Association of the city of New York.

The report of the Exchange Superintendent in the July number of the "American Philatelist" must be very interesting reading for Mr. Corwin. It is very evident that A. P. A. members have decided not to take Mr. Corwin's advice and "boycott" the exchange department and "freeze" Mr. Sterling out. Mr. Sterling states that on individual circuits he has sold as high as 61 per cent in seventy-

four days. One hundred and forty-nine members are supplying the department with stamps, and over two hundred and fifty members are buying from the department over individual circuits, besides the eight branches. Mr. Sterling has proved that he is the right man in the right place.

Mr. W. C. Stone sets down hard on the Hamilton Bank Note Co., of New York, and says he shall not chronicle the Salvador and similar stamps issued by this firm. Mr. Mekeel also gives them a blow in his paper. The question is what are we going to do about it? If there were a thousand varieties issued every year, there are lots of "cranks" who would pay as many dollars to secure a set: it wouldn't be *this* "crank," though. It would be an easy matter to have the stamps excluded from the A. P. A. exchange sheets, but Seebach is too old a rat to be caught napping. He could advertise them by means of circulars, and sell rafts of them. If printed they will be collected.

The June number of "Philately" contains nearly two pages of "Frauds." It would be a good scheme for all philatelic papers to do the same thing. The trouble is, the majority of dealers will not give the names of those who swindle them. The average dealer is so smart he never gets swindled—at least one would think so to hear them talk. If every dealer would have the names of all the dead beats on his books published in all or in the majority of philatelic papers, every month, the frauds would soon be very scarce.

The philatelic world is indebted to Mr. Henry Hechler, President of the Canada Philatelic Association, for discovering the 12 1-2c blue and the 15c rose-lilac of the issue of 1868, on *water-marked paper*. This completes the set of the water-marked stamps of that issue. The others have already been chronicled.

Mr. C. F. Bishop, of New York, who has furnished reports of New York Auction Sales for the WORLD, has accepted the position of Editor of the "Columbia Spectator," one of the finest college

papers published. Mr. Bishop is spending his summer in Europe.

Major E. B. Evans is on a visit to Canada, and has been staying in the Canada Capital, Ottawa, for a couple of weeks comparing notes with Mr. J. R. Hooper. The Major will return to Bermuda via Halifax, on August 15th.

The June number of the "Eastern Philatelist" contains five pages of reading, three pages of advertising, three blank pages and a title page. Guess advertising is a little dull down that way.

George Henderson is again editor and manager of the "Quaker City Philatelist." The fellow that thinks Mr. Henderson is on the fence in the Chalmers-Hill matter gets left.

The Scott Stamp and Coin Co. Limited, has commenced suit against the J. W. Scott Stamp Company, Limited, for infringing on their corporate title.

Nebraska collectors are talking of forming a State Association. Go ahead boys, the more the merrier.

Duncan S. Wylie has "retired from the editorial chair of *Philately*." Mr. Wylie got tired out pretty quick.

"Philately" and the "Philatelic Beacon" have discarded their covers and appear in their "shirt sleeves."

The Brooklyn Philatelic Club was incorporated under the laws of the state of New York, June 14.

Who is going to the St. Louis Convention? Don't all speak at once.

"Canadensis" has a corner in quite a number of papers.

The "Boss Kicker."

NEW YORK, May 12, 1889.

Friend Hubbard:

The articles of and replies to our friend Corwin, remind me of something that happened during my boyhood days. I will write the story and enclose it herewith, and if you think it worth publishing you may do so, without of course, using my name.

THE STORY.

In my boyhood days I lived upon a farm and we had an old horse who was a "boss kicker." This animal would kick most any time and the less occasion there was for "kicking" the more he would "kick." He would stand in the stable and kick at the ceiling; sometimes he'd hit the mark, oftener he'd miss it, but he succeeded in making himself a great nuisance by getting all the other horses excited and keeping us all awake at night. A bright young Hibernian said to us one day "Boss, if you'll let me, I'll sicken him of kickin'." Having obtained our permission he went into the garden, brought out a bundle of blackberry stalks tied together like a sheaf of straw. This he suspended from the ceiling of the stable about a foot above the "kicker's" hind quarters.

The result was that the first time heels went up, they came down rather suddenly; perforations in hide 17x19 m. This made the kicker mad and he let drive again fiercely; result, double perforations and red surcharge. He didn't kick any more that night.

From the looks of things our "kicker" will have a similar experience. A. P. A.

The Proxy System.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. July 6, 1889.

J. M. Hubbard,

Dear Sir:

There having been considerable said lately in the papers about dealers controlling the A. P. A. convention at Boston by means of proxies permit me to call your attention to a few facts. I think that no one will accuse me of being a dealer in the true sense of the word.

There were some two hundred and ninety proxies held at the opening of the convention as follows: *Bradt* 58, *Corwin* 44, *Tiffany* 43, *Mekeel* 26, *McCalla* 23, *DeJonge* 19, *Deats* 17, *Stone* 17, *Bogert* 8, *Calman* 6, *Terrett* 5, *Davison* 4, *Sparr* 3, and about 17 scattering.

If you will carefully scan the above list you will see that the dealers (*italicized*)

held only about a hundred of the two hundred and ninety proxies. The whole of the scattering vote and some few proxies which came in later made no material change in the result. As to the place of meeting, ten of those who favored me with their proxies gave instructions to vote for St. Louis which with my own made eleven. The others being uninstructed and from eastern members I cast for Niagara Falls.

WILLIAM C. STONE. A. P. A. 67.

The Reprint and the Sparrow.

It appears to me that the reprint is like the English Sparrow—now that it is here it will stay and we cannot get rid of it. After all the fight and fuss it still holds up its head. It can be kept down somewhat but never eradicated from our midst, like the sparrow—and to quote from a Chicago paper the pertinacity of the latter pest was never better illustrated than by the British sailor's doggerel which runs as follows:

"The bloomin', bleedin' sparrow went up the bloody spout;
The bleedin' rain came down, and washed the bloomin' sparrow out.
The bloody sun came out and dried up the bloody rain;
And the bloomin' bloody sparrow went up the bleedin' spout again!"

If this don't fit the reprint, nothing does. When we try and weed out the reprint in one quarter, it comes again as smiling as ever, and after all the resolutions and kicking done we are told that the Hamilton Bank Note Co. is going extensively into the business—

"And the bloomin', bloody sparrow went up the bleedin' spout again!"

T. J. MITCHELL.

Salvador Reprints.

SAN SALVADOR, June 2nd, 1889.

Mr. John M. Hubbard,

Dear Sir:

The 1c green Salvador stamp 1879, being entirely exhausted, the Director General of Posts has ordered some reprints to meet the necessities of the service till the new ones come from New York.

I enclose some specimens.

Yours truly,
SAMUEL C. DAWSON.

The reprints Mr. Dawson sends us are fairly well printed on very thin paper, and are not gummed. The perforation, however, is very poor, caused perhaps by the poor quality of paper.—ED.

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LAKE VILLAGE, N. H., AUGUST, 1889.

NO. 42.

Second Annual Convention of the Canadian Philatelic Association.

The second annual convention of the Canadian Philatelic Association was called to order at Halifax, Nova Scotia, Wednesday, July 31st, at 10:30 a. m., President Henry Hechler in the chair.

At the roll-call it was found that fifty-one members were present, or represented by proxy.

Moved, seconded and carried that members holding proxies hand them in and Investigating committee report on them at the afternoon session. T. Larsen, W. L. Emory and H. L. Hart were appointed a committee to examine credentials and proxies and on standing rules. Voted to adjourn until 2:30 p. m.

The second session was called to order at 2:30 p. m. by President Hechler. Report of committee on Credentials reported and accepted. Executive committee reported that not enough votes had been cast to effect an election of officers for 1890, and it was decided to wait until Friday morning for more votes to come in. Voted that rules which governed last convention govern this. Mr. Craig brought up the case of an English collector who was refused admission into the Association because the Executive committee in one of its rulings decided that "only one collector in a Foreign Country could become a member;" laid over until papers could be produced by the Secretary.

A vote of thanks was tendered the Brooklyn Philatelic Club for the Photographs of Stamps presented the Association.

President Hechler then made his annual address as follows:

"Ladies and gentlemen, In calling this, the Second Annual Convention of the

Canadian Philatelic Association to its deliberations, I cannot refrain from expressing the gratification felt by the Nova Scotia branch at having the opportunity to greet so many of the members of our Association from the sister provinces. We also gladly welcome our friends from beyond the borders of the Dominion. Though they are foreigners to us in their national allegiance, we meet them here on—I will not say neutral—but on common ground as philatelists. As such, we extend to them a most hearty, cordial and brotherly greeting.

I have summoned this Convention thus early, because I believe that it would best serve the convenience of the majority to meet for the purpose of discussing the various topics which are of interest to our Association during the pleasant summer holidays, than later on when business engagements will recall them to their regular avocations, and when it will be more difficult to get away.

This is, in a certain sense, a new Association, and we have, as was natural, met with difficulties and disappointments, but, I am happy to say, with none that have not been surmounted with more or less ease.

We have suffered the loss of some of our most valued members during the past year by their transferring their residences. In this connection I may be permitted to recall the name of Mr. Walker, who made himself such a favorite with all the members who had the privilege of attending last year's Convention. Though absent he will never be forgotten by those who came in contact with him.

The reports of the Secretary, Treasurer and other officers will be duly submitted, and I am glad to be able to assert that all these officers have very efficiently performed the duties devolving upon them,

and have materially aided me in the efforts that I have made to render the C. P. A. a success.

During the short period in which I have had the honor to fill the highest office in the gift of this Association, I have experienced, that through the want of sufficient inducement to members, some of them have dropped out of our ranks. I cannot too strongly impress upon the proper Committee the advisability of revising the statutes and regulations so that members of this Association, whether they are members of their respective provincial branches or not, shall have equal access to the exchange sheets. At present they do not enjoy this privilege.

My chief object when accepting office was to extend the influence of this Association by instituting affiliations with sister societies. I have not as yet been able to accomplish much of a definite nature in this direction, but I hope that during my projected tour in Europe, I shall have an opportunity to close the several negotiations now pending.

The success of all societies, as of this, depends upon all members working harmoniously together for the common good.

In closing I gratefully acknowledge the uniform courtesy extended to me by all the members, while I have held office. I assure you that I shall always, whether I hold office or not, endeavor to render my best services to the advancement of the objects of this Association—the science of philately.”

Report of Secretary was accepted. Treasurer's report showing balance of \$90 on the right side of ledger was accepted. Report of Exchange Superintendent accepted. Ninety-two books have been circulated since last September, amounting to \$4,345.48 from which sales have been made to the amount of \$1,053.40. Twenty books are still on the circuit. 625 exchange sheets sold at 5 cts brought \$31.25. Mr. Grenny's account for printing, etc. was \$36.87, showing the Exchange Department cost the Association \$5.62. Vote of thanks was ten-

dered Mr. Grenny for report and his able management of the Exchange Department.

Reports of Librarian, Purchasing Agent and Counterfeit Detector were not received.

The following Standing Committees were appointed by the President;

FINANCE AND OFFICIAL ORGAN, W. L. Emory, D. A. King, Theo. Larsen.

LIBRARY, A. J. Craig, W. H. Goodrich, Theo. Larsen.

EXCHANGE AND PURCHASING DEPARTMENT, F. C. Kaye, H. L. Hart, Olaf Larsen.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS, H. Hechler, W. C. Stone, H. L. Hart, A. J. Craig, and W. L. Emory.

Voted to adjourn until Thursday at 10:30 a. m.

President Hechler called the third session to order at 10:30 a. m., Thursday. After dispensing with roll-call and reading minutes of last meeting, voted that the ruling of Executive Committee allowing only one member in a Foreign Country, be declared null and void, as the ruling is not in accord with article 2 of the Constitution. Voted to hold the Convention in 1890 at Montreal, at such time as the Executive Board sees fit. Resolutions sent in by H. E. Deats and Karl C. Miner were referred to Committee on Exchange Department. Adjourned to 3:30 p. m.

The fourth session was called to order at 3:30 p. m. Committee on Official Organ reported that the journal was giving complete satisfaction. Finance Committee reported accounts of Treasurer and Exchange Superintendent correct. Committee on Constitution and By-laws reported several amendments, and recommended that they be published in Official Organ and submitted to a mail vote of the Association. Voted to adjourn until 10 o'clock Friday morning.

The last session was called to order Friday at 11 a. m. After roll-call and reading minutes were disposed of, the committee appointed to take charge of the ballots for officers, made its report.

Following is the result: For President; A. J. Craig, 52; Henry Hechler, 21; R. A. B. Hart, 4, and A. J. Craig was declared elected for the office of President for the year 1890.

For Vice-President, E. Y. Parker had 71 votes and was elected.

For Secretary, D. A. King had the entire number of votes and was elected.

For Treasurer, C. E. Cameron, M. D., of Montreal, had 76 votes and was elected.

Voted that the Librarian publish list of contents of the Association Library. Committee on Constitution completed its report, which was accepted. The following was unanimously adopted.

Resolved. That this Association expresses its emphatic disapproval of such postal contracts as have been entered into by certain Central American States, and urges its members to do all they can to discourage the collection of such issues of stamps, etc. The Hill-Chalmers matter was postponed for one year. Voted, to insert a suitable advertisement in the official organ, showing the benefits of membership in the Association. Vote of thanks was tendered the Nova Scotia Philatelic Association for its courtesy to the visiting members; also to those members from the United States—Messrs. Stone, Emory and Goodrich—for their presence and assistance at this convention. On motion of Mr. Goodrich, the convention adjourned *sine die*.

Friday afternoon was devoted to an exhibition of stamps, of which there was a very fine display. HALIFAX.

A Prince of Philately.

During Major Edw. B. Evans visit to Canada I had an opportunity of being some days in the company of the distinguished collector, whom I found to be a modest, unassuming and gentlemanly personage. Major Evans is a man in the prime of life, and is now Inspector of Warlike Stores at Boaz Island, Bermuda, being attached to the staff of the Royal

Artillery. From the Cinque Ports division he has seen service in Gibraltar, Malta, Mauritius and in South Africa during the Zulu, Boer and Kaffir wars with his battery. Owing to the climate at a certain season, in Bermuda, not agreeing with the Major, he expects to be soon transferred. On philatelic topics he is *au fait* and the best informed collector can listen for hours to his instructive talk. I had ten or a dozen knotty points and questions to solve, on all of which the Major gave me the desired information. His specialty was first Great Britain and her Colonies, latterly, the Native Indian States stamps, and he is now engaged on the U. S. envelopes, over \$200 of which he has bought in the last two or three sales. He has had prepared in England a photo-lithograph plate of all the different varieties or dies of U. S. envelopes, letter sheets, wrappers, etc., complete. This is really a splendid guide to his catalogue and the youngest collector can see the minute differences at once. He says he has found the United States collectors on the whole a gentlemanly lot and exceedingly well-informed, and in answer to my enquiry why many of these sided with the Chalmers "craze," said he believed they had got an idea in their heads that Patrick Chalmers was a grossly abused man, that it was not he who gave first offence by defaming a dead man and that a strong under-current of anything anti-British helped swell the tide. He considered that Chalmers had everything to gain and absolutely nothing to lose by accepting Mr. Pearson Hill's Challenge to place it before a proper tribunal.

Speaking of foreign correspondence, Major Evans said he was, as myself, pestered with the petty collector who sends a lot of cheap stamps not worth even half the postage paid on them, with a request to forward in return rare stamps. What to do with such was the question. My plan with such was to send them back, but receiving so many I found it quite convenient if a collector sent me a lot of common colonials to send

him a lot received from another country, and so keep an exchange circulating itself, without sacrificing my own stamps except when I took desirable specimens. This plan I have followed, but when a lot not worth postage is received I send them back unpaid or partly paid as the regulations will allow, and that collector will trouble me no more, except possibly with a threat that he will advertise me in a hundred and one stamp papers as a fraud.

On one of the Major's papers received from Belgium through France, was a cover from an old illustrated catalogue, the cuts of which had all been postmarked or cancelled; evidently the P. O. clerk thinking they were stamps of some sort and should be thus destroyed. Talking of envelopes cut round and used postally, on other envelopes, I had a half-penny Australian card with another similar cut card (the Queen's head and value only) pasted underneath, which did full-rate duty, although it could not help being distinctly noticeable.

The Major was greatly amused over his visit to the British-American Bank Note Co's. offices, where he was shown the proofs of Canadian and Newfoundland stamps. The party showing them tried to impress the Major that the perforated series were used before the imperforated, that the *small* cents issue were in use before the *large* ones were issued, and that a couple of proofs or essays shown were really issued. Of course the Major listened to all, at the same time keeping his weather eye open for any new proofs that could be seen in the book of specimens shown. All the money or entreaties known would not purchase one of these proofs as there is a cast iron rule against this, and the party showing them inferred that stamp-collectors cleaned stamps to use again. The Major sarcastically said "Yes, that is just what I do!" explaining he was a collector at the same time.

Major Evans is a very pleasant man and we hope to see him here again.

CANADENSIS.

Editorial Notes.

Do not send your proxy to a "kicker," or to any of his friends. If you do you will kick yourself for so doing when you find out how he uses it.

A. J. Craig, of Pictou, N. S., is acting as President of the Canadian Philatelic Association during the absence of the President, Henry Hechler, in Europe.

Eugene Arthur Browne, who published a few numbers of the "Arizona Pride of Philately," a few years ago, is now publishing the "Moral and Scientific Companion" at Florence, Arizona.

The "Collector's Ledger" is no more. The same old story—ill health and no sufficient time to attend to its publication. We are sorry to lose it from our ranks, however, as it was one of our most welcome exchanges. Its subscription list will be filled by the "N. Y. Philatelist," an 8 page paper which has issued but three numbers.

The "Universal Philatelic Union" has been re-organized and is now called the "Western Philatelic Union." Following are the officers:

Pres. Lieut. J. M. T. Partello, Texas.

Vice President, E. L. Raish, Iowa.

Sec'y. and Treasurer, W. H. Kane, Cal.

Exchange Supt. K. Brewster Cox, Cal.

The Union is said to be in flourishing condition.

Members of the American Philatelic Association who cannot attend the convention should send their proxies to P. M. Wolsieffer, Drawer 707, Chicago, Ill. Mr. Wolsieffer will have our proxy and lots of others. He is a "collector" first, last and all the time; is wide awake and has the best interest of the Association at heart. Your proxy will be safe in his hands and instructions will be followed to the letter.

"About three years while we were fairly investigating and trying to form an intelligent opinion on the Chalmers-Hill controversy, we had a letter from Pat. Chalmers in which he said that his claim

was so thoroughly established that he would not condescend to answer the few queries we had put to him. It would seem, however, from the floods of his recent literature that the indomitable Patrick had found some of his proofs frightfully weak."—[Philatelic Monthly.

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Speaking of the Chalmers claim, a writer in the "Hoosier Philatelist" says, "It is impossible to trust to memory of man for anything that is accurate; every one knows that, and to hold this up as a proof is all bosh." That is about the size of it. The memory of these old persons is just what the Chalmers claim rests on. How many of our readers remember the day the lamented James A. Garfield was buried? We all do for it was a day of mourning throughout the civilized world. Depending on memory alone, how many can tell the exact date of his burial? Not one out of a thousand. If we cannot remember a date of such National importance less than nine years ago, how are *all* of James Chalmer's old employes to remember the date a certain job of printing was done in an office in which they were employed over fifty years ago?

"The Stamp World" gives us the portrait and sketch of Sir Rowland Hill. While we do not believe him to be the inventor of the stamp, yet, we do think he was the practical man who was quick to see and apply everything in his great aim, and to whom too much credit can not be given.—[Hoosier Philatelist.

If Sir Rowland Hill did *not* invent the

adhesive postage stamp, *who* did? Certainly not James Chalmers. We have a great deal of respect for James Chalmers as it is very evident he was sincere in his claims, and when he found out Sir Rowland Hill was ahead of him, acknowledged his defeat over his own signature. We have but little respect, however, for Pat. Chalmers who, knowing that his father's letter, withdrawing his claim was still in existence, uses all means honorable and otherwise, to make people believe *his* father was the original inventor of the adhesive postage stamp. If Pat. Chalmers believed what he was talking about, instead of spending his time and money hunting up old persons with such a marvelous memory, he would accept Mr. Pearson Hill's challenge and have the matter settled in the Courts of Justice where every statement has to be made under oath. Pat. says he "has no intentions of troubling the lawyers." Why? Because he knows as well as anyone that his father was *not* the originator of the adhesive stamp, that is why.

Members of the American Philatelic Association who cannot attend the coming convention at St. Louis, should remember that

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A vote from *C. B. Corwin* will result in depriving you of all individual benefits through the Exchange Department.

C. B. Corwin is trying his best to have "Individual circuits" abolished so he can run the Exchange Department in his own interests, and for the benefit of the wire pullers in the National Philatelic Society who favor him for the Exchange Department.

The *Scott-Corwin* combine are trying to secure proxies so that all officers of the Association will have to be from New York city, which will be of their making and under their control.

Your proxy in the hands of President Tiffany, P. M. Wolsieffer, Henry L. Cal-

man or Ex-Supt. Sterling will insure honest election and votes for all proper methods that come before the convention.

If you desire to receive the Exchange Books over the Individual circuits then vote to uphold the present Exchange Superintendent in his efforts to make the Department a success.

C. B. Corwin was elected a delegate of the National Society to St. Louis, by methods of a packed meeting and he is by no means the choice of the Society, others holding proxies of the National members, which would not be the case were his election as it should be, as much dissatisfaction exists over his appointment.

Our Postal Cards.

The contract for furnishing Postal Cards to the United States for four years from Oct. 1st. 1889, has been awarded to Albert Daggert, of New York. The cards will be an improvement over the old ones, and at the same time there will be a material reduction in the cost to the government. The public will appreciate the change, inasmuch as there will be better facilities for correspondence and advertising by the addition of two new sizes.

The first size will measure 2 15-16x4 5-8 inches, and will weigh 5 lbs. and 1-2 ounce per thousand. This size will cost the government thirty-seven cents per thousand cards.

The second size will be 3x5 1-8 inches, the same as the card in use at present, and will weigh 5 lbs. 5 ounces per thousand, one ounce heavier per thousand than the cards in use at the present time. The cost in the new contract will be 35 cents per thousand instead of 47 71-100 under the old contract.

The third size will be 3 3-4x6 1-8 inches, and will weigh 9 lbs. 1 ounce per thousand cards, and will cost 50 cents per thousand.

The average weight of the three sizes will be nearly 7 lbs. and the average cost about 40 cents per thousand cards. Allowing for the difference in weight, the

new cards will be about one third cheaper under the new contract than the old one, as the average price per pound is 9 cents under the old, and about 6 cents under the new one.

It is estimated that during the term of the contract the government will require 2,000,000,000 cards, at a cost of about \$800,000. The reduction in cost for the four years will amount to about \$150,000 as compared to prices in the old contract.

To print this number of cards it will require about 7,000 tons of card board, or an average of about six tons to run through the presses every working day.

In 1873, the year postal cards were first introduced into this country, about 100,000,000 cards were used, at a cost to the government of \$1.39 7-8 per thousand cards, or about three and a half times as much as the average price in the contract just awarded.

The largest size will be used more for advertising purposes than either of the others, while for short messages the smallest ones will hold the call. Variety is the spice of life, and here one will "pay his money and take his choice."

J. M. HUBBARD.

Foreign Philatelic Gossip.

British Borneo has now four varieties of postal cards, 1c, 3c, 6c and 8c.

It is reported that only 700 of the Newfoundland 1c. post-cards were surcharged 2c.

Tamatave, Madagascar, furnishes another surcharged stamp for the French, 25c on 40c.

On some of the recent surcharged Jhind envelopes there is an error, made by the letter N being out of line, a trifle higher than the others.

There are two varieties of the last Guadeloupe surcharges, 10c on 40c. One has triangles in the upper angles, and the other has a small square with a point in the centre.

The Bavarian Society is to hold a grand stamp exhibition in Munich, in October,

being the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of the introduction of postage stamps into Bavaria.

Two errors of the Cape of Good Hope stamps, 1-2d. black, surcharged "British Bechuanaland" have been found. One is with the word—"British"—upside down, and the other with Bechuanaland inverted in the same way.

Mr. de Mareyna, the "King" of Sedang, is modest. Instead of his enterprising countenance on the Sedang stamps, he gives us a coat of arms with four crowns, one in each corner. The kingdom was created by him, the stamps are pretty, and the lowest value, 1-2 math. is equal in value to 1c.

Mr. Vallee, of Montreal, of the Canadian Philatelic Association, proposes to get all the members of the C. P. A. to send in their photos. and have the lot photographed in one large group. This would secure a photo of each member of the Association for about a dollar apiece. The plan deserves the support of every one.—[CANADENSIS.

Chalmers' Last Circular.

Mr. Chalmers is out with another circular, the only substantial part of which is an extract from the Arbroath Herald of Oct. 11, 1839, which definitely proves that *two years* after Rowland Hill proposed an adhesive stamp, Mr. Chalmers had an idea of one also. The claim of Dec. 1837 is also set forth by Mr. Pat. Chalmers as the date of his father's idea. Nowhere is the date of 1834 put forth. Mr. Chalmers has evidently concluded that his "living evidence" has no force and only injures his case.

The balance of the circular is taken up with the same old plaintive cry that Mr. Pearson Hill wont let him have correspondence and papers which would shed light on the subject.

We have no proof that Mr. Hill is withholding anything, and certainly after the mutilations and false deductions made by the "Chalmersites," he cannot be blamed if he did refuse.

On the whole, this last circular is wholly irrelevant, and contains no testimony bearing on the subject at issue; in fact, the only noticeable thing is the implied withdrawal of the 1834 claim.

This circular will only cause those who have as yet been undecided, to incline more to Hill's side.—[E. R. ALDRICH, in CURIO.

Chronicle.

BARBADOS—The registry envelopes are made by De La Rue.

BR. GUIANA—We have the current stamp printed in lilac but without value in lower label. It is surcharged at top "Inland," and at bottom "Revenue" in black, and "2 cents" just below the ship. There are other values from 1c to 72c, all of the same color. We are informed that the 2c was in use only one week, as it was discovered that dishonest persons printed a 7 before the 2, thus increasing the value. The stamps remaining were surcharged with a figure 2 in red in the center.

BR. NORTH BORNEO—The "Ph. R." describes four cards: 1c, ochre; 3c, purple brown; 6c, blue; 8c, green; all on white. There are frames on all and the stamps on the two lower values are of the type of 1886, while the others have large stamps, 31 1-2x26mm., with numeral of value in oval band.

COLOMBIA—A 1-2c. stamp, black, has been issued for use in Bogota. It contains an eagle on a shield, with "Correo Urbano de Bogota" above. Perf. 13 1-2, on white wove paper.

CUBA—"Le T. P." notes "Cuba—Impresos," 1-2 and 1c. black, and says that in 1890-91 stamps will be issued with the bust of Alphonso XIII.

FERNANDO PO—There is a 10c. de peso of current type, brown.

GABOON—The 10c. black on lilac, is surcharged "25" according to "Le T. P.", and the same journal describes two stamps, 15c black on rose and 25c. black on green, inscribed at top "Gabon—Congo."

GREAT BRITAIN—The "Ph. R." notes a registry envelope, with an envelope stamp

4d. vermilion, on the flap. It was intended for Br. Bechuanaland, but by accident the cartouche with the name of that colony was omitted.

GREECE—A few sheets of 20 lepta have been perforated 13 1-2, by the new machine.

GRENADA—The registry envelopes were made by De La Rue.

LIBERIA—A new 8c. ultramarine, perf. 14, differs slightly from the 1882 issue.

MEXICO—We have seen the 10c. brown and the 25c. red brown of 1882 type on thin paper. Possibly errors.

NATAL—The 1d. is reported in maroon.

NEW SOUTH WALES—The 2d. envelope with new stamp, blue, has appeared. 138x78mm. Laid paper.

PHILIPPINE I.—There are three new stamps, "Impresos," 1 mil rose; 2 mils blue; 5 mils. brown. The postage stamps of 1890-91 will have the bust of Alphonso XIII., and the telegraph stamps will have the arms of Spain.

PORTO RICO—The issue of 1890-91 will bear the portrait of the young king.

RAJPEEPLA—In addition to the 1 anna blue, noted by us, Mons. Moens has this value in green.

SALVADOR—The "A. Ph." has received the 1c. on thin batonne linen paper.

SHANGHAI—Mr. Rechert has shown us the 80 cash green surcharged 2c. cash in red, and the 20 cash gray with watermark of two Chinese characters, "Kung Boo," standing for Municipal Council.

SIERRA LEONE—The 2d. is changed in color again, and is now red-violet. Watermark CA.

TOBAGO—Several of our exchanges chronicle the 1d. and 3d. of 1879 issue with CA watermark. These are all revenue stamps. Only the CC watermark can be classed with the postage stamps.

TURKS I.—The 1-2d red brown is surcharged "One Penny."—[Philatelic World.

The Latest Scheme.

A movement is on foot for the construction of a postal tube between France

and England. The plan is to suspend two tubes about three feet in diameter each, by means of steel cables across the channel, forty yards above the level of the sea. They will be fixed to pillars at distances of 800 yards, and in each tube a little rail-way will run with cars capable of carrying four hundred and fifty pounds in weight. The cost is estimated at \$5,000,000. This plan, if put into execution, will revolutionize the mail business between France and England. Should this, the first postal tube, prove successful we may look for the erection of others in different parts of the world, until in time they may become a common sight. Of course that period is many years distant, but modern invention and ingenuity overcome all obstacles and we may truly say that "wonders will never cease." By this plan not only will the cost of the transportation of mail matter be greatly reduced, but a much briefer time will be occupied in its carriage, and thus the business men of the world will be greatly benefited. Success to "The Latest Scheme."

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And the brindled cat I'll bell it for I've got
b'ood in my eye.

I've also a big bee in my bonnet,
You can bet your life upon it,
And when you hear my sonnet at St. Louis
by the river;
It will make the dea'ers quiver
And old E. B. S. will shiver
And the A. P. A. Scribe will never know
what struck him near his liver.

For I'm a gay and festive kicker,
(The original, boss high kicker,)
And its now my time to flicker; from the
great head waters I come.
So if you want to hear things rustle,
As I make the officers hustle,
For you bet I'm on my muscle and am
going to make things hum.

Then towards old St. Louis travel,
By rail, boat, horse or gravel,
Only "get thar" before the gavel tells the
beginning of the fun;
For I'm coming, yes, I'M coming,
Many proxies I've been drumming,
There'll be music in the gloaming for I'VE
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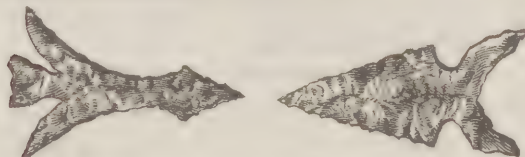
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VOL. VI. LAKE VILLAGE, N. H., SEPTEMBER, 1889. NO. 43

The Boss Kicker.

We have had considerable to say about kicker Corwin in our issues for the last few months. We now change the programme a little, and publish his latest circular, sent to some, if not all A. P. A. members. Here it is.

A FEW PLAIN WORDS TO A. P. A. MEMBERS.

"Inasmuch as I have, in my desire to benefit the rank and file of the A. P. A., during the past six months, trod upon a number of toes, it was to have been expected that retaliation would ensue. Proper retaliation is one thing, but such a circular as that issued by H. L. Calman, under date of August 23rd, is another.

I have already replied to this through the medium of the "Quaker City Philatelist" for September, a copy of which is no doubt ere this in your hands, and to what I say therein there is but little to be added.

Let us consider a few facts:

When H. L. Calman was beaten by me in his contest for delegate of the National Philatelic Society to the St. Louis Convention he moved to make my election unanimous, which motion prevailed. He went right out of the meeting and composed his scurrilous circular of August 23rd, which promises nothing whatever save that he proposes to down Trustee Scott and Member Corwin in their work for REFORM. In order to bolster up his cause, he falsely asserts, (1) that Corwin is not the choice of the majority of the National members; and, (2) that Scott and Corwin are colleague together to "accomplish some object or objects at present *unknown to him*, in their personal interest, and not to the advantage of the association."

Both these statements are false, and I emphatically deny that they have any foundation whatever. A cause that is supported by falsehood is a pretty poor one. Calman and Sterling appear to be in league in Convention matters to do all they can to whip those collectors who have given me their proxies; the former, probably because he was beaten in the contest for delegate, and the latter because he imagines that my comments

upon him in the "Philatelic Gazette" were against him personally and not, as was the case, a criticism upon him as an official of the A. P. A.

Calman is backed by the dealers' ring of the East, whose pocket is their first consideration, and with whom collectors are an after thought. President Tiffany must be in sympathy with this dealers' ring else their spokesman, Calman, would not be so foolish as to invite members to send their proxies to him (Tiffany). Furthermore, I have publicly, in print, challenged President Tiffany to state how he voted his 50 proxies at the Boston Convention last year, but he is silent.

Why? Because he knows full well that he did not always cast them in the interests of collectors. Another thing, it seems peculiar, to say the least, that the presiding officer should hold the votes of many members, and for this procedure I fail to find any precedent, outside of the Conventions of the A. P. A.

From the preceding statements, the inference may be drawn that it is dangerous to intrust your proxies in the hands of either Messrs. Calman, Sterling or Tiffany.

For myself, I pledge you my word of honor that I have no axes to grind, that I am seeking no office in the gift of the A. P. A., and that I am going to St. Louis, not to attack officers and methods as has been falsely claimed, but solely to aid in the accomplishment of such reforms as experience has plainly shown to be necessary.

In case you have already given me your proxy and have sent no later dated one, I trust you will leave it in my hands. In case you are satisfied that I am right in these statements, and that you do not wish to become the tool of the dealers' ring aforesaid, then kindly sign and mail me the enclosed card, pursuing the same course in case you have failed to notify me that you have withdrawn the proxy already given me, in favor of another.

Bear in mind the fact that the proxy of any member bearing the *latest date*, will be the one voted upon at the Convention. I hope you will believe all I now say to you, as it is the TRUTH, and that you will not lend yourselves to the designs of these schemers. I remain,

Fraternally and faithfully yours,
C. B. CORWIN."

"P. S.—Since writing the within, Mr. Sterling has been in New York, and has stated that he was under obligations to the Calmans, and therefore was going to vote with H. L. Calman, at the Convention, through thick and thin. That is to say, he intends to make Association matters subservient to his private affairs. This statement may be relied upon, as Mr. Sterling made it to two A. P. A. members. He also stated that he and Calman were going to oppose the incorporation of the Association. The under mentioned article, from the pen of an outsider as far as controversy goes, will show you how Calman will vote his proxies when the resolution on the Seebeck-Salvador contract comes up in Convention, and for confirmation of this reasoning, you are referred to the "American Journal of Philately" for August, wherein Calman places himself squarely on record as in favor of this contract, also to any of the members of the National Philatelic Society."

THE A. P. A. CONVENTION AND OUR NEW YORK DELEGATE.

From "Philately," for August, 1889.

The National Philatelic Society of New York appointed Mr. C. B. Corwin, at their last meeting, Aug. 8th, as delegate to represent the Society at the coming A. P. A. Convention in St. Louis. Mr. H. L. Calman moved to make the vote unanimous, after being defeated by a vote of seven to sixteen. On August 23rd, Mr. Calman issued a circular against Mr. Corwin and Mr. J. W. Scott delegate of the Brooklyn Philatelic Club, claiming that they were going to St. Louis for their own personal advancement and begging A. P. A. members to give their proxies to him, as he would go in the interests of collectors solely. Now I do not wish to say any thing in favor of C. B. Corwin (boss kicker) or J. W. Scott, but merely state why H. L. Calman is opposed to them. The readers of this journal probably know of the contract between Mr. Seebeck of the Hamilton Bank Note Company, and the Salvador Government. Mr. Corwin is the originator of the resolutions of censure which were passed by nearly all philatelic societies, and Mr. Scott ably seconded the same. Mr. Calman (or the Scott Stamp & Coin Co.) is afraid that the same resolution will be adopted at the A. P. A. Convention, and is only going for his own (or the Scott Stamp & Coin Co's.) benefit, to prevent, if possible, the adop-

tion of the same. The Great C has undoubtedly the contract with Seebeck to place the remainders, errors, cancelled-to-order, and reprints of the ten years' annual issues of Salvador on the market, and take money out of collectors for stamps which should not be found in any collection. By considering above, any one can easily decide whether Mr. Calman is going to St. Louis in the interests of the Scott Stamp and Coin Company, or of collectors. Those A. P. A. members who are desirous of upholding Philately should not give their proxies to any stamp concern, but to individual members or to the delegate appointed by some branch, and thus rest assured that their vote will be cast in the interest of stamp collectors, and not for a monopoly.

HENRY GREMMEL, A. P. A. 129."

The above shows Mr. Corwin's side. According to his idea he is a much abused man. The "scurrilous circular" of Mr. Calman's, gave the facts as they appeared to him. Whether Mr. Corwin "packed" the meeting or not, of course we do not know. Mr. Calman claims that he did, and judging by what we know of Mr. Corwin we should say that was just his cut. Corwin is bound to have *his* way, if it is possible to accomplish it. It is "dangerous to trust your proxies in the hands of either Messrs. Calman, Sterling or Tiffany." Put them in MY hands and they will be safe. That shows the man, out and out. No one is any good but himself and his small circle of friends. The idea that it is not safe to trust our proxies in the hands of President Tiffany is enough to make a horse laugh. Every business man has his enemies, and Corwin appears to be down on Messrs. Calman and Sterling more because they make their living buying and selling stamps than anything else that we can see. "Calman is backed by the dealers' ring in the east," etc. Corwin is backed by the J. W. Scott Stamp Co., Limited, in which company we understand Mr. Corwin is a heavy stockholder. Do you see the difference?

Mr. Corwin has "no axes to grind." He and Mr. Scott, his partner, have put out at least \$50 in postage stamps, printing circulars, postals etc., trying to get

enough proxies to control the St. Louis Convention. He does not want office, mind you, but he does everything because of his great love for our Association. An excellent reason why he does not want an office. He never can get one, unless he gets a majority of proxies and then votes for himself. The kicker is for himself, first, last and all the time, and his disguise is so thin that anyone with half an eye can read him like a book.

J. M. HUBBARD.

Chronicle.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC—Another new 1-2 c. band. The post horn is omitted, and the envelope is at the bottom. Brown on buff.

BRAZIL—The new colors of the journal stamps are, 10r. olive, 20r. green, 50r. pale orange, 100r. red, 200r. black, 300r. pale rose, 500r. dark green, 700r. blue, 1000r. maroon.

BULGARIA—There is a 1 lev. red of the new type.

COSTA RICA—We have the 1c. rose and 5c. red brown fiscal stamps with head of President Soto, surcharged "CORREOS."

DENMARK—The 8 ore letter card has an inscription at the bottom.

FAIRIDKOT—The 2a. registry envelope is surcharged for this State.

GABOON—The 10c. is surcharged "15," also the 1 franc; and the 30c. unpaid is surcharged with the same value, also for postal purposes.

GAMBLA—The 2d. is orange and the 6d. blue.

GIBRALTAR—Mr. Ludwig writes us that on August 1st. the current stamps were issued surcharged "centimos," viz: 5c. on 1-2d., 10c. on 1d., 25c. on 2d., 25c. on 2 1-2d., 40c. on 4d., 50c. on 6d., 75c. on 1sh. The surcharge is black.

ICELAND—Mr. Watson has shown us a 10 aur rose card with curved inscription at top reading "ALLSHERJARPOSTFJELAG" in one word. This may be a proof.

ITALY—The following were issued Aug. 1st. Stamps of 40c., 45c., 60c., 1 lira,

5 liras. Post card, 5c. Letter cards, 5c. 20c. Postal packet cards from 25c. to 2 l. 70c. The 45c. stamp is greenish gray (c. c. 38), the 1 lira has the head and inscription in brown and the frame buff. The 5c. card has stamp with arms in oval and figures of value in corners. It measures only 110x70mm. Dark green on red brown. The 5c. letter card has the same stamp, green, on grey, but is larger, 140x80mm. The others we have not yet seen. The "I. B. J." states that after Jan. 1, 1890, the 5c. adhesive will bear the arms of Italy instead of the king's head.

MADAGASCAR—The 10c. has been surcharged ".05."

NEW ZEALAND—The 1-2d. band has a wavy border round the instructions and *fleurs de lys* at the angles.

NORWAY—Three unpaid letter stamps have been issued. Figures of value and "at betale" in center, "Norge" above and "Portemaerke" below. 1 ore gray brown, 10 ore carmine, and 50 ore violet.

NOSSI-BE—This French colony on the north-east coast of Madagascar has surcharged the 40c. of 1877 and 1881, "25" in blue.

PERU—The new 1c. has the black horseshoe as well as the red triangle. Mr. De Jonge has information that the new stamps will not be surcharged.

PHILIPPINE I.—The 2c. rose postage stamp and the 2 4-8 yellow brown telegraph stamp which had been surcharged in black "Recargo de Consumas" are doing duty for postal purposes.

SALVADOR—"L'Echo de la T." chronicles a new 3c. card, blue, but of the type of the 2c. rose.

SWEDEN—The same journal says, M. Hoffman has seen the 5 ore green, 10 ore rose, and 20 ore blue, almost identical with the current 10 ore. The letter cards will have at the right an octagon with the figures 5, 10 or 20.

SWITZERLAND—Mr. Lohmeyer has shown us a variety of the 10c. card of 1875 (without frame). The dash below "Carte-Correspondance" is missing.

UNITED STATES—The new post cards are to be of three sizes, No. 1, pearl gray, for ladies' use, will be about 117x74mm. No. 2, same size as at present, 131x77mm. No. 3, for advertising and other business purposes, 156x95mm.

ZULULAND—The 2 1-2d. and 5d. Jubilee stamps of Great Britain have been surcharged "Zululand."—[Philatelic World.]

Philatelic Ripples.

The war in Hayti is now practically at an end, Legitime having sailed for France and left the field to his rival, Hyppolite. A new set of stamps will probably be in order soon.

In view of the fact that the government makes no recompense to parties losing goods through the registered mail, it seems no more than just to reduce the exorbitant fee now charged.

The following is now going the rounds:

"De Flannel—"Aw've a new ideaw, Arlgie."

Arlgie—"Have you? What is it, old fel?"

De Flannel—"Aw put English stamps on all my letters now; don't use those howwid green American ones. Isn't it swell?"

It is now thought that instead of one cent letter rates, there will be improvements made in the postal service. There is at least one thing which ought to be attended to very soon, viz. a reduction of 50 per cent in the registration fee. The United States charges double the amount for registration that most countries do; for instance Canada charges 5 cents; Great Britain, 2 pence and Germany 2 pfennig, (about 5 cents).

It seems to some of us that the recent contract between the Republic of Salvador and the Hamilton Bank Note Co. is something of a cooler to those philatelists who collect anything and everything from medicine labels to "made to order" provisionals. It would be a good thing if all the philatelic societies would follow the example of the Canadian Philatelic Association, by disapproving of the action,

and resolving to discourage the collection of such stamps. FRED G. HILMAN.

Revenue Stamps.

One of the most interesting and instructive parts of a collection of stamps are U. S. revenues. First in point of interest are the document stamps, and next the match and medicine stamps. Of the latter, many are to be found in drug stores on old medicine bottles, pill boxes, etc., as I recently learned on searching the shelves of a drug store in quest of these bits of paper. I found many additions to my collection in this manner, and also secured several hundred duplicates I sold to a dealer at a fair price.

Match stamps may also be found at grocery stores on old match boxes and may be purchased of the proprietor for a small sum. If collectors would only take advantage of these opportunities they could greatly increase the size and value of their collections at a small outlay of time and money. Of course there are some druggists who would not let you remove stamps from old bottles in their stores, but the majority, I think, will not object, especially if you are careful not to tear the wrapper on the bottle, and are willing to pay a small sum for the stamps removed.

If you are out on a summer vacation, a good plan is to visit all the drug stores in small towns or villages where you stop, as you are more likely to find specimens in a small place than a large one. In conclusion, I will say, do not omit the revenue department in forming a collection of stamps, as they form a very interesting part. OSMAR.

Communications.

SAN SALVADOR, August 23d, 1889.

Mr. John M. Hubbard,

Lake Village, N. H.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find specimens of the 3c brown surcharged "1 centavo" and the new 1c. green just in use. The black line on top of this one is covering

an error in the legend. They were stamped "Union Postal del Salvador" instead of "Servicio Postal del Salvador."

I will soon send you the 2c. red which came also with same error.

Yours truly,
SAMUEL C. DAWSON.

SAN SALVADOR, August 30, 1889.

Dear Sir:

Some parties in the States and Europe are selling the 3c. brown and 10c. orange, 1887 and the 5c. blue 1888—Salvador stamps—surcharged "Contra Sello."

Please give notice to the readers of the STAMP WORLD that said stamps have not been surcharged and that such proceeding is fraudulent.

Yours,
SAMUEL C. DAWSON.

The Stamps of Sedang.

Our contemporaries this month are very funny over the recent shower of Sedang stamps. At first we were somewhat puzzled to find where Sedang was, but the "Echo de la Timbrologie" came to our aid and informed us that it was a country between Siam and Annam, peopled with 250,000 inhabitants, the conquest of which had been made by a single bold Frenchman without firing a shot, and who dubs himself King Marie I. Of course as the king had decreed on paper the establishment of a post, he wanted stamps, and lo! he is furnished with a series of seven values, varying from a half penny up to one dollar, the whole series showing a face value equivalent to \$1.87 and these are advertised at \$2.40 with a discount proportioned to the number of sets taken. King Marie should have taken a lesson from the ex-president of the republic of San Blagador and ordered a handsomer series while he was about it. There is too much sameness about these to tempt even the feeblest collector, and they are too dear for schoolboys.—[Philatelic Record.]

Editorial Notes.

Have you sent in your proxy yet? If you have not, you want to hurry up.

Grand Rapids, Mich., will have the "Peninsular Philatelist" some time in October.

Each member should instruct *for* "individual circuits" and *against* "Centralization of Officers."

"The Post Card," from Roselle, N. J. reaches us regularly. It is small, but well gotten up, and contains no advertising.

We were somewhat surprised to receive a copy of the "Philatelic News." It suspended publication about a year ago, and begins now where it left off then.

Those members of the A. P. A. who have become of voting age since the last convention, must notify Secretary Bradford at once, or their proxy will not be allowed.

The A. P. A. convention will be held in St. Louis, beginning Monday, Oct. 7. We should like very much to be there, but the Boot and Shoe business is very brisk—we can not afford it, but don't tell anyone—and we cannot possibly leave the store.

Have you sent your proxy to some one, and now have changed your mind and want some other person to have it? If so let the one have it you wish. You can give a dozen proxies, but the one bearing the latest date is the one that will be accepted.

We are informed that the "Stamp" is as dead as a door nail. We are very sorry for this. We were in hopes its suspension would be but temporary, but the cold facts are, there is no money in publishing a stamp paper. The publisher who can make both ends meet is mighty lucky.

The "Halifax Philatelist" has gone under. We supposed that paper was solid as long as it was the official organ of the Canadian Philatelic Association. Its subscription list will be filled by the "Dominion Philatelist," and that paper will take its place as official organ of the C. P. A.

The latest thing in the stamp line is putting a genuine foreign stamp in each package of cigarettes. We are rather inclined to be pleased at this, for it will interest a great many boys—and dudes—in stamp collecting, judging by the way the boys here buy "Cameo" and "Sweet Cap" if they have a nickel, and beg the pictures if they are "broke."

We are "on the fence" again. Our friends P. M. Wolsieffer and J. R. Hooper are having a set to. Mr. Wolsieffer is a Chalmers man from the word "go," while Mr. Hooper is equally as enthusiastie for Hill. Mr. Wolsieffer set down on Mr. Hooper in the September "Philatelic Gazette" and now Mr. Hooper has his turn. It is simply the Hill-Chalmers matter in a new form, we think, as we think neither gentleman has anything serious against the other.

We received a letter from Mr. Gustav Aue, formerly publisher of the "Collectors Ledger." Mr. Aue states that he has had the "stamp fever" on rather a larger scale than he anticipated. He is employed in a law office in New York and his work and confinement there days and his stamp and publishing business evenings, proved too much for him and a long fit of sickness was the result. Mr. Aue is much better now, but has decided to give up the stamp business and try and regain his health.

We received a circular from a stamp firm the other day, from which we quote: "We are constantly receiving through our many correspondents desirable and rare stamps, and having tried the many Philatelic papers as an advertising medium, and finding them an unprofitable investment, we adopt this as a new means of reaching you," etc. This firm has been quite an extensive advertiser in the STAMP WORLD and we are sorry it was so unprofitable to them. If we remember rightly, they had a half inch ad. in our paper three different issues, and we have seen their adv. in one or two other papers. We doubt if they ever put over \$5 into advertising in all the papers combined. We discontinued receiving half

inch advertisements so as to get rid of bothering with such one-horse dealers, but one would think to read their circular that they did a business equal to that of C. H. Mekeel or the Standard Stamp Company.

The members of the Chicago Philatelic Society are wide-awake and no mistake. They are "solid on the goose," every time. Following is a circular which they have mailed to every member of the American Philatelic Association.

Chicago, Sept. 2, 1889.

DEAR SIR:—The Chicago Philatelic Society having appointed a committee of five to make arrangements for the Society's action and representation at the Fourth Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Association, to be held in St. Louis, Mo., beginning October 7th, 1889, that committee respectfully solicits the proxies of such members as cannot attend in person.

It having been reported that certain members would endeavor, at the next convention, to so alter the constitution as to permit the centralization of the officers of the Association, this committee here declares itself opposed to any such measures, or any others that will be likely to detract from the *National* character of the organization.

One member of this committee has been selected because of his adherence to the Hill side of the Chalmers-Hill controversy. Members supporting the Hill claims should forward their proxies to Mr. P. H. Dilg, who will look after their interests at the convention.

All members of the committee expect to be in attendance at the convention. Members can fill out the proxy blanks with the name of the committeeman they prefer to act for them.

All A. P. A. members who can make it convenient to do so are invited to stop over in Chicago on their way to the convention and finish the journey in company with our delegation. The Society's rooms, 80 La Salle Street, will be open from 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. on Saturday and

Sunday, October 5th and 6th, when all traveling members will be made welcome.

Very respectfully yours,

CHARLES S. WILCOX,	} Committee.
J. H. HUBER,	
P. M. WOLSIEFFER,	
PHIL. H. DILG,	
S. B. BRADT,	

An Open Letter.

Smarting under the castigation rightfully received, Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer opens out in the Sept. "Philatelic Gazette" with a tirade of violent abuse. For the purpose of venting his private spleen, he seeks to drag my name as well as others into the vortex of the dirty pit he has felt inclined to wallow in. Because my name happens to appear with the letters A. P. A. after it, he seeks to take this as an excuse for emptying his foul load upon me, without even stopping to ascertain why those letters appeared. All I ask is for anyone to write to the publishers of the paper where it appeared and satisfy themselves that I was not the cause of it. Can any sane person imagine I would openly advertise myself as a member of the A. P. A. (which I am not) and to calculate to deceive anyone. The idea of such a thing, even on the face of it, is so absurd, that I do not believe there is one respectable philatelist who would entertain such a thought, but put it down for what it really was. I do not wish to defend myself from Mr. Wolsieffer, but I wish the right thinking philatelists to know the real facts of the case. I rather court this vendor-of-cheap-music's balderdash, and it has about as much effect on me personally as it has on many of the adherents of the Chalmers "craze."

Wolsieffer's abuse of Mr. McFadden may be passed without notice, as from my correspondence with numerous U. S. philatelists the latter is a gentleman and the former is not. I trust the readers will excuse this harsh epistle, but villany requires an expose of the worthy P. M.'s tactics. *Non nobis solum.*

J. R. HOOPER.

P. S.—If I were inclined to mean actions, like our worthy right-hand supporter of the Chalmers craze, I should also find fault with dozens of others who have their names appear over erroneous initials by mistake. In Mr. Bradt's adv. I have seen "C. P. A. No. 1." As that is my number, I know perfectly well that it is a mistake, as Mr. Bradt is too honest and straight-forward a gentleman and it only appears by error. J. R. H.

Philatelic Gossip.

The cash sales of one of the leading London stamp dealers for the past year are stated as being near £4000.

The fraudulent imitation of stamps is a felony in Great Britain under the P. O. Protection Act. Anyone selling or using any British, Foreign or Colonial counterfeit stamp is liable to a fine of £20.

Collectors having any duplicate papers or catalogues for the C. P. A. Library can send them to the Librarian, 559 King St., Ottawa, Can., when they will be duly acknowledged in the official organ. Stamp papers of all kinds gladly received and good exchange given if desired.

Mr. Calman states that the plates of the Salvador stamps will be destroyed and no *reprinting* take place therefrom. Now, if this is so, Mr. Calman deserves the credit for it and I fail to see where even the slightest complaint comes in against a dealer securing the remainders to sell under face value.

The talk of Imperial Federation has suggested the idea of a uniform rate of penny postage for the whole of the British Empire. Six letters, they say, would be sent where one is sent now, and that means an increase in revenue at the rate of 6d. to 2 1-2d. Rowland Hill's principle that the transport could be disregarded also comes in here, as it would cost no more to carry six than for one.

There appears to be a diversity of opinion regarding the circulation of remainders and in view of the Seebach

contract with a South American country, some philatelists have determined on boycotting the country issuing them. My opinion is that the supply will only equal the demand, and if a collector wants a complete issue of the country he has to get them somehow. I do not believe there is any serious objection to a remainder, but I would like to see all dies or plates of every stamp destroyed as soon as the issue runs out of date.

In looking over a letter from Yokohama, Japan, I noticed several statements which may possibly be true. The writer states there are over one hundred philatelists in Yokohama; that one has 3,000,000 tied up in bundles of fifties, two million being English and one million Chinese and Japanese; that the Japanese boys make a tail for their kites out of Japan stamps, that he begged twice for the tail and it weighs *over eleven pounds*, but that the boy soon accumulates another; and finally that he found the English V. R. stamp. Whew! what a country for stamps.

In the Sept. No. of the "Philatelic Gazette" there is an article which contains some gross inaccuracies, under the heading of "A Few Comparisons." The comparisons made are only those, of course, favorable to the present Administration at Washington. The gross revenue of the P. O. is placed as follows:—

United States	\$52,695,176.79
Great Britain	42,362,346.00

I assume that the figures for the U. S. are correct, and also that the 34th annual report of the British Post-master General, issued in January last, is correct, then the comparison should be thus:—

Great Britain	\$53,885,308.15
United States	52,695,176.79

Now a mistake of over ten millions I do not say occurs from any political desire, but here is an inaccuracy somewhat startling. Mind, I am not taking the British Empire, but simply the British Isles, for in any comparison the Empire would overtop any three countries named. To register a letter in England or Canada

5 cents is the fee, but in the United States double that, 10 cents is asked. In the rate on letters 2c. is charged for an ounce in Great Britain or the United States, but the former country will send 2 ounces for 3 cents, 4 ounces for 4 cts., 6 ounces for 5 cts., 8 ounces for 6 cts., 12 ounces for 8 cts., 14 ounces for 9 cts. and so on at the rate of 1c for every 2 ounces. Can the "Philatelic Gazette" find cheaper letter postage?

Mr. V. H. Young, of Montreal, has in hand a scheme by which each member of the C. P. A. may obtain a photograph of the members, or of at least as many of them as may respond to the proposition. The plan is to obtain a photograph of each member of the Association and to have the same arranged or mounted on a card, from which a photograph of the whole can be taken, and from this copy to have some two hundred photographs taken which will be eleven inches deep by fourteen inches wide and mounted on a card 14x17 inches, thus leaving a margin of three inches for framing purposes. From estimates received from the principal photographers in Montreal the cost would be about \$1.00, providing an order is given for two hundred and good work guaranteed. As this is not a money making scheme each one will receive a photograph at cost price. Several members have expressed themselves in favor of this undertaking. Desiring to have this work done as soon as possible, Mr. Young requests an answer from all C. P. A. members at their earliest convenience and if in favor of this scheme enclose photograph, (either cabinet or card size), and an order for at least one of the pictures, and if a sufficient number are received by the 15th Oct. next, they will be handed to the photographer. All photographs will be returned in good condition when the work is completed.

All will be notified through the Official Journal of the Association of the time the photographs will be ready, and also of the price of each, which will not exceed \$1.00 and may be less.

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" 4c green,	.01
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The American Philatelic Association Convention.

The Fourth Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Association was called to order at 10:30 a. m., Oct. 7, at Odd Fellows Hall, St. Louis, Mo., by Pres. Tiffany, twenty-one members being present.

Messrs. Bradt, Scott and Sterling were appointed a committee on credentials, and Messrs. Bogert, McCalla and Rodgers a committee on standing rules.

President Tiffany extended an invitation to all present to an informal reception at his residence in the evening.

The Secretary being absent, Mr. E. T. Parker was called to fill his position. Later on Mr. J. N. Spencer was appointed Assistant Secretary. The convention adjourned until 3 p. m.

The convention re-assembled at 3:40 p. m. Committee on credentials reported favorably upon four hundred and nine proxies, thirty-one had been thrown out, and a few remained for further consideration.

The committee on standing rules recommended some slight changes.

The deaths of two members were announced, Mrs. R. L. Phillips, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y. and Mr. Geo. B. Mason, of Lyndhurst, N. J.

President Tiffany delivered his annual address. On motion of Mr. Corwin a vote of thanks was tendered the President.

The Secretary failed to submit a report. Report of International Secretary read.

The Treasurer reported receipts from the former Treasurer \$31.76, receipts from dues \$310.75, total \$342.51; also that there was a warrant drawn for \$330.46 which would leave but a very small sum on hand when paid. He reported the

membership as 559 voting and 101 non-voting members.

Reports read of Librarian, Exchange Superintendent, Fourth Purchasing Agent, Literary Board and Board of Trustees. The report of the Literary Board showed that the Official Journal cost on the average \$215.00 an issue and that the receipts from subscriptions and advertisements were about \$105.00 each issue; the average circulation was 3000 copies per month.

The following committees were appointed by the President.

FINANCE, Scott, Parrish, Beamish.

LIBRARY, Wolsieffer, Beardsley, Flack-skamm.

EXCHANGE & PURCH. DEPTS., Sterling, Bogert, Grenny.

OFFICIAL JOURNAL. Mekeel, Rodgers, Wolsieffer.

BRANCH SOCIETIES, Palmer, Sparr, Spencer.

CONSTITUTION, Calman, Corwin, Bradt, MacCalla.

Adjournment taken to the following day at 10 a. m.

Convention called to order at 10:35 a. m., October 8th.

A committee consisting of Messrs. Tiffany, Mack and Van Derlip was appointed to thoroughly investigate the matter of incorporating the Association and to report through the Official Journal as soon as practicable.

Motion prevailed that a committee of five be appointed to consider the Chalmers-Hill matter and report in the June, 1890, "American Philatelist."

Motion prevailed that a committee of five be appointed to memorialize Congress for the purpose of having the dies and plates of all obsolete stamps destroyed.

Adjourned till the following day at 10 a. m.

The convention was called to order at 10:40 a. m., Oct. 9th. Committee of Exchange and Purchasing Department recommended a number of changes in the By-Laws, which were adopted.

Nominations were made for the place of holding the next convention. The vote resulted as follows:

New York,	422
Niagara Falls,	37
Washington,	12
Philadelphia,	2
Buffalo,	1
Pittsburgh,	1

On motion the next convention was called for the first Monday in August, 1890.

On motion a committee consisting of Messrs. Corwin, Gregory, Dejonge, Scott, and Rasmus were appointed to make arrangements for an International exhibition in connection with the World's Fair of 1892.

A resolution condemnatory of the Salvador contract being introduced, it was moved that it be laid on the table. The roll being called there were 232 votes to table the resolution and 236 against tabling. Pres. Tiffany called Mr. Bogert to the chair and offered an amendment to the resolution, which embraced the essential feature of it, and the amendment was carried unanimously.

The committee on constitution recommended a number of changes which were adopted. Principal among them were the following:

That applicants under legal age furnish a guarantor, who will guarantee that their obligations to the Association shall be observed. Adopted.

That all members resident in the United States and Canada, irrespective of age, shall be entitled to vote and shall pay full dues. Adopted.

That the annual dues be \$2.50 instead of \$2.00, and payable annually in advance. Adopted.

That the dues be payable to the Secretary instead of the Treasurer, the former

keeping the individual accounts and the latter the general accounts only. Adopted.

That a resident Vice-President be appointed for every county containing ten or more members. Adopted.

That the Trustees shall reside within thirty miles of each other. Adopted.

It was agreed to submit to a general vote the following: That the clause in the constitution which makes it necessary that the elective officers be chosen from different states be stricken from the constitution.

A great many minor changes were also made in the constitution.

On motion the convention unanimously agreed to ask the present Secretary for his resignation.

The convention adjourned *sine die* at 4:30 p. m., Oct. 9th.

NOTES.

The proxies were distributed as follows: Sterling, 109; Scott, 87; Corwin, 71; Wolsieffer, 43; Calman, 35; Bradt, 27; Tiffany, 25; Bogert, 17; Grenny, 16; Mac Calla, 13.

The elective officers are now prevented from holding proxies at future conventions. This is as it should be, and none will rejoice more than the Official Board at this measure.

Nothing could have been more harmonious than the gathering at St. Louis. In spite of all predictions to the contrary everything proceeded smoothly and I believe everyone went home satisfied with the work accomplished.

Corwin and Sterling made it all up and shook hands over it before they left St. Louis. And all the differences were settled in like manner. It was really surprising to see the unanimity that prevailed on almost every question brought up.

The office of Resident Vice-President created by the convention is a matter that will do much to advance the Association and encourage local interest. Every locality containing ten or more members will now have a local officer whose busi-

ness it will be to look into the merits of applicants, and to assist in smoothing out whatever difficulties may arise in his district. The officer will be appointed by the Official Board, upon the recommendation of the members in the locality for which he is appointed.

Among those present at the convention may be mentioned the following: Messrs. Tiffany, Mekeel, Nienstedt, Dill, Custer, Flackskamm, Stegmann, Rodgers, Muenighaus and Fuelscher, of St. Louis; Bogert, Calman, Corwin and Scott, of New York; Beamish and MacCalla, of Philadelphia; Sterling, of Trenton, N. J.; Bradt, Palmer and Wolsieffer, of Chicago; E. T. Parker, Bethlehem, Pa.; J. N. Spencer, Cincinnati; W. F. Grenny, Brantford, Ont.; C. W. Sparr, Eureka, Kas.; H. C. Beardsley, St. Joseph, Mo.; W. J. Parrish, Kansas City, Mo., and W. A. Michaels, Horton, Kansas.

The clause in the constitution which says that the elective officers shall be chosen from different states, is the only barrier we have against centralization. It is now proposed to remove that barrier and in a short time an amendment to that effect will be submitted to a general vote. I voted to submit the amendment, trusting in the good sense of the members to defeat it. Should it prevail then there will be nothing to prevent all the officers being located in one city. I may be mistaken, but it is my opinion that this is just what the majority do *not* want. If the result should prove that the majority want it, well and good—I shall not “kick” against anything the majority may desire. S. B. BRADT.

Open Reply to J. R. Hooper, Esq.

Your scurrilous, outrageous “Open Letter” published in September number of THE STAMP WORLD, should never have been permitted to enter the columns of an otherwise good journal. It probably inadvertently slipped in, while ye editor “sat upon the fence” meditating over the “set to” (w)hoopered up by his friend Canadensis.

Mr. Wolsieffer needs neither a defense nor a champion; his reputation as to character is too well known to be affected by any aspersions so rancorously expressed.

Individually I concur with you in everything relating to the Hill-Chalmers controversy; the members of the Chicago Philatelic Society, most of whom are Chalmerites, call me a kicker, because I never hesitate to openly express my convictions, and while at times I may appear a little too emphatic and positive to suit the “right hand supporter of the Chalmers craze,” I never find it urgent to forget that I am a gentleman and betray a weakness in my argument by adopting school-boy tactics, i. e. become foul-mouthed.

Cicero says:—“A letter does not blush”—very true! But how about the writer of such an unblushing epistle, when he becomes convinced (as you probably will) that he has unjustly vilified a gentleman who is his peer in every sense of the word? I doubt not that if you were personally acquainted with Mr. Wolsieffer the letter would never have been thought of. Step up like a man, acknowledge your mistake by an open apology for the insulting, black-guarding language used, and then tackle the open letter of Mr. Wolsieffer in September “Gazette,” in a gentlemanly manner. The argument while weak, is fair and reasonable, and being in the nature of a series of questions should be easily answered to the discomfiture of this “dyed in the wool” Chalmerite. I expected to see a proper reply to the article by you, but was not prepared to see such a vituperation as your letter proves itself. I regret that one of the shining lights of our cause should so far forget himself as to place himself in such an unenviable position that only a manly apology will extricate him.

Mr. Wolsieffer has a record throughout the philatelic world of which any man can be well proud. Everybody who has a personal acquaintance with becomes attached to him and prizes his friendship most highly. There is probably no other

philatelist who has as many actual friends in his circle of associates as he has. His fellow members of the C. P. S., better than whom none have the opportunity to judge his sterling worth and integrity, have shown their appreciation of his excellent qualities in a more substantial manner by presenting him with a beautiful charm as a souvenir, prior to his departure to the St. Louis convention of the A. P. A. And yet you say this man is inclined to wallow in a dirty pit.

You further say that from numerous U. S. Philatelists you learn that our beautiful ideal secretary is not a gentleman. I will wager that you cannot point to a single person who is personally acquainted with Mr. Wolsieffer who has even hinted that, come now, admit that the assertion was drawn from a vivid and elastic imagination.

Her Majesty's school of information does not seem to educate its serfs in the P. O. Dept. very thoroughly, or you never would have made yourself ridiculous by your remark about "cheap-music-vendor" in referring to Mr. Wolsieffer, who has charge of one of the principal departments in one of the largest music houses in the world. Lyon and Healy have gained a reputation both as dealers and manufacturers that is world-wide.

Trusting that you will see the error of your uncalled for attack and make your reply "argumentum ad ignorantiam," I remain,

Yours for "Hill."

PHIL. H. DILG.

CHICAGO, Oct. 21, 1889.

Chronicle.

ANTIOQUIA—"Der Ph." illustrates two stamps, 2 1-2c. and 5c. black on yellow paper. The value is at the top and "Provincial—Medellin" below in two lines.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC—The stamp on the 2c. letter card has been re-engraved. The upper angles are different and the figures of value on ground of cross lines. It comes on yellowish and white card.

BULGARIA—"Le T. P." has a 10 plus 10

st. card with original card the same as the reply card.

CEYLON—The 5c. card is surcharged "3 cents" in black, and original value cancelled, and the 12c. registered envelope, is surcharged "Fifteen Cents" in red, in two lines.

CURACAO—The 1c. gray and 2c. violet are of the type of Dutch Indies with Italic figure of value.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC—The European journals report the 1, 2, 5 and 10c. surcharged "Official" in black.

FRANCE—The 5 frs. is surcharged for use in the Levant as 50 piastres.

GERMANY—A new issue is announced for Oct. 1st.

GIBRALTAR—In addition to the stamps mentioned last month there are six cards, 5, 10, 15c., and reply paid surcharged on the 1-2, 1 and 1 1-2d, and reply paid, also wrapper 5c. on 1-2d. and registry envelope 20c. on 2d., sizes F. and I.

GREAT BRITAIN—There is a 3d. card with full length portrait of the Queen, red on buff.

GUADELOUPE—The 1c. is surcharged 5c.

ITALY—The colors of the stamps noted last month are: 40c. brown, 60c. violet, 5 lire, carmine and green. The 20c. letter card is red on orange.

JIHND—The "Ph. R." says the envelope of 1-2 and 1 anna and the cards of 1-4 and 1-4 plus 1-4 anna, come with the arms in black.

NEW SOUTH WALES—"Le T. P." mentions a 4d. registered envelope 145x89mm. with lower flap pointed.

NOSSI-BE—There is a 5c. surcharged on the 10c.

PERSIA—"Le T. P." illustrates a new series not yet issued. The head of the Shah is in an oval with lion's head below, between two circles containing the value, 10sh. black, 1kr. orange, 2 rose, 5 green.

SALVADOR—Mr. Krebs has shown us the 3c. surcharged "1 centavo," and we have before us the new 1c. of the American Bank Note Co. This is very much like the 3c. and is printed in green. The words "Union Postal Del." at the top are

obliterated by a heavy black band, evidently done by the Bank Note Co., but for what purpose we do not know.

SPAIN—A new issue is expected soon with head of the very young King, Alphonso XIII.

SWEDEN—The new stamps are not in circulation yet, but the 10 ore is illustrated by "Le T. P." The stamp is smaller, also the head, and the figure "1" is ornamented and the "O" heavier.

ZULULAND—The "Ph. R." has official information that the 1 1-2, 2 1-2 and 5d. have never been surcharged.—[Philatelic World.

Editorial Notes.

Bogert's 16th sale of stamps will be held at Geo. A. Leavitt & Co's. auction rooms, in New York, Monday Oct. 28th. The collection consists of 546 lots.

The October issue of the "Dominion Philatelist" appears with a cover, and contains nine pages of reading matter. This number is mostly devoted to C. P. A. matter.

We should advise the publisher of the "Collector's News," of Duaneburg, N. Y., to get a new printer at once. The copy of the September number is so poorly printed we couldn't read it if we tried.

We observe that Mr. Sterling held 109 proxies, while Mr. Corwin had but 71. This shows that Mr. Sterling has the confidence and respect of very many members, Mr. Corwin to the contrary notwithstanding.

We have just received a copy of "Ye Boodle Philatelist" published at 628 Hudson St., New York. Evidently it is published and printed by an amateur printer. It is not up to the standard and will hardly stand the cold winter.

The Philatelic Association of Iowa has published a "Bulletin." It gives their Constitution and other official matter. The association numbers about twenty members, who seem to be wide-awake, and we hope they will meet with success.

"Mr. Wanamaker wants a unique design for a new postage stamp. What's the matter with a cut of the American Eagle dressed in a neatly fitting suit of store clothes encircled with the motto: "I bought 'em at Wanamaker's?"—[Chicago Herald.

It is said that Postmaster-General Wanamaker, in his forthcoming annual report, will recommend that post-offices be established on the principal steamers plying between the ports of the United States and Europe, similar to the postal service on railway trains.

Bangs & Co., of New York, will sell a collection of United States and Foreign Postage, Dispatch, Revenue, License, and Telegraph stamps at their Auction rooms, Nov. 6 and 7th. The collection contains 1,302 lots, and was catalogued by Harlow E. Woodward, of Boston. There are some very good stamps in the lot.

At the adjourned meeting of the Chicago Philatelic Society, held Oct. 5th, Mr. Dilg, in behalf of the Society presented the Secretary, Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer, with a fine gold watch chain pendant, in recognition of his services to the Society. "P. M." was taken by surprise but managed to express his thanks for the presentation.

They are poking lots of fun at Postmaster General Wanamaker. Here is another go at him.

"Puck submits a new design for the U. S. 2c. postage stamp. It resembles the old one in every respect except that the portrait of Washington is replaced by the inscription 'Why not go to Wanamaker's trade emporium?'"—[World.

Duncan S. Wylie uses up nearly a page and a half criticising the four short verses by Dr. Heath, in our August issue. Mr. Wylie reminds us of the boy who told his teacher and schoolmates he wished his "new boots didn't squeak so much." Mr. Wylie has evidently been promoted to the Intermediate school, been presented with Webster's unabridged, and wants everyone to know he can use big words.

W. W. Jewett, of Portland, Maine, formerly publisher of the "Philatelic Herald" is making a success of job printing. Mr. Jewett started in with a small press and a small lot of type bought on "tick," and printed the "Herald" one page at a time. He has kept adding new material to his plant, his latest addition being a half-medium Golden Jobber. Together with Mr. Lyons he is now publishing a Philatelic Dictionary and Guide, which will be ready early in November.

John M. Hubbard has made quite an extensive addition to his already large coin, stamp and relic business, in the purchase of a \$300 collection in the northern part of the state. The collection consists of ancient coins, stamps, autographs, badges, and many other articles that interest the collector of coins and relics. Among the relics we particularly noticed the large badge worn by Col. Murphy at the funeral of Andrew Jackson. It is of black silk, about eight inches wide by about twenty long, and bears in gilt letters the words, "Chief Marshal, Locust Ward." We hope and trust the genial John will make a good speck on this purchase.—[The Belknap Republican.]

We are informed that the Secretary of the A. P. A. has been asked to resign. Whether this is using Mr. Bradford just right or not, we are not in a position to judge, as we did not attend the convention. If there is to be a change we have a candidate for that office. He is a thorough philatelist, an honest, wide-awake business man. He needs no introduction to members of the Association. His name is S. B. Bradt; his residence, Grand Crossing, Ill. Mr. Bradt is a hard worker and attends strictly to business. He was our Secretary for two years and he proved himself a good one. If Mr. Bradt can be induced to accept the office, he will make us a better Secretary than any other man in the Association.

It is very evident that Mr. Millard F. Walton, of Philadelphia, wants to be Secretary of the American Philatelic Association. In another column will be found his "appeal" to the members for their

support. We may be a little cranky on the subject, but we never yet supported a man for any office, who asked us for our vote, as we believe that if the people want a man for an office it is their place to tell him so, and not his place to solicit votes, and promise everything for the sake of getting votes. We are not acquainted with Mr. Walton, and know very little about him. With Mr. Bradt the case is different. He was our faithful Secretary for two years, and would have been re-elected last year if he would have taken the office. He will be supported by the Chicago and several other societies, and will be elected by a large majority. Mr. Bradt makes friends of everyone he has any dealings with, and will be elected without adopting the ward politician's style of begging votes.

Communications.

CHICAGO, Oct. 18, 1889.

John M. Hubbard,

Dear Sir:

At the regular meeting of the Chicago Philatelic Society held at their club rooms last evening, Mr. S. B. Bradt was nominated unanimously for Secretary of the American Philatelic Association, to succeed Mr. Bradford.

The Chicago Philatelic Society presents a candidate who has been tried in this position and not found wanting, and hopes to receive the support of sister societies for their candidate.

P. M. WOLSIEFFER, Secretary.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 22, 1889.

Dear Sir:

Having been placed in nomination for the position of Secretary of the American Philatelic Association, I respectfully ask for your support, promising, if elected, to conduct the office to the best interest of the members of the Association, and will endeavor, if possible, to give you no cause to regret your action.

Yours respectfully,

MILLARD F. WALTON.

Alsace-Lorraine and its Postal Issues.

Alsace-Lorraine is a district of Germany, and has been so since the treaty of 1871. It is bounded by France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, Baden and Switzerland, all of which are states better known to the philatelist than the one under consideration. The name Alsace or Alsatia is a form of the German *Elsass*; this is derived from the words *Ill-sassen*, i. e., dwellers on the Ill, a principal river. The name Lorraine, (German, Lothringen) is not so easy to trace.

The district for which stamps were issued was the first part of France occupied by the Germans in the Franco-Prussian war, and became the property of the German empire by the treaty of 1871. As the postage stamps were issued by the German authorities while on French territory, much prudence and consideration was shown in making the design of them so simple. If some typical German emblem had been emblazoned on them, it would doubtless have given rise to much ill-feeling.

It is still a mooted question among advanced philatelists as to whether these stamps should be classed among the French or the German emissions. Moens and other compilers cut the Gordian knot, so to speak, by classing them separately; while Scott's latest catalogue places them under the general head of Germany. "Dr. Magnus," a well-known and recognized authority on these points, claims that they should be included among the stamps of France, since they were issued in French territory. "Dr. Magnus," by the way, was merely a pen-name, serving to hide the identity of a man well-known in philatelic circles here and abroad a dozen or fifteen years ago. He was for some years editor of "Le Timbre Fiscal," a Belgian periodical devoted to revenues. It is still published as a supplement to "Le Timbre Post."

While Alsace-Lorraine was disputed territory during the war of 1870 between France and Germany, a set of stamps was issued by the German authorities. Owing

to the "remainder" system, almost every collector possesses at least one of these stamps and is perfectly familiar with the general design—the same for all values.—It consists of the word *POSTES* above the figure of value and *CENTIMES* below.

In August 1870, the following were issued: 1c. olive green, 2c. red brown, 4c. grey, 10c. bistre, 20c. blue, and the next January two new values, 5c. green and 25c. brown. An error, by which certain sheets of all the varieties were accidentally (?) turned round, exists, hence they all appear with the ground work reversed.

Of the regular series there are known to be at least two shades of the 1c., 2c., 4c. and 10c. There are certain color varieties of the inverted groundwork series. I have seen recorded a 10c. with plain ground but I have never met with a specimen. All the foregoing are perforated 14 1-2.

We now come to the Postal Cards. The first issue was in 1870. The cards were of three sizes, type set, and printed in black on buff paper. There are two recognized shades of the paper, light and dark, of which the former is more than twice as valuable as the latter. These cards bear no stamp. The following money-order postal cards appeared: 1874, type-set, black on rose, German text "Post-Anweisung," for sending money; value in francs and centimes; 1872, "Post-Mandat" for collecting money. This was type-set, showing armorial bearings with streamers, the inscriptions being in German and French. Color, black on bright green. Besides these Postal emissions there were issued thirty-one revenue stamps.

HARRY COLE QUINBY.

Philatelic Tid-Bits.

By the way I agree cordially with "Acadia's" remarks in the last number of the "Dominion Philatelist" anent the "lunacy."

"Plain Talk" is not an addition to Philately. When a novelty or catch-penny paper wants to reach the better class it takes on a philatelic department.

The publisher of the "Flour City Philatelist" informs me that the "F. C. P." has postponed indefinitely. It was a "screamer" as well as a terror to evil-doers.

Now in active preparation and will be shortly ready for the press "The Chalmers craze in America—Its rise and fall—with history of its supporters." Look out for it.

The Bavarian family held a grand exhibition of stamps from the 1st to the 11th of October. It was to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the introduction of postage stamps into Bavaria.

I am glad to hear that the C. P. A. is taking prompt measures with frauds. It is whispered that the publisher of the "Rhode Island Philatelist" has been expelled! How is this, Percival?

Collecting has extended to philatelic literature and there is now a great demand for stamp papers to complete volumes. All advanced philatelists have a library of some kind, and they are a great addition for reference.

The Chalmers "ghost" has downed at last. He does not *perambulate* so much as he used to. The champions of the "craze," Messrs. Wolsieffer, Davison, *et al*, are now hidden in that knot hole I spoke of some time ago.

"I should so like to have a stamp dated the year of my birth!" said a maiden lady of an uncertain age to a C. P. A. member lately; "do you think you could get one for me?" "I am afraid not," he replied, "those old stamps are only found in valuable collections." And he wondered why she cut him the next time they met.

By the last number of the official organ of the *Société Française de Timbrologie* I am pained to see that one of their members openly advertises in that paper *fac simile* U. S. state and newspaper stamps. The same journal previously advertised N. B. and N. S. *fac-simile* pence issues. Why could our societies not take this

matter up and lay it before the French society?

In the "Philatelic Gazette" for September, we find a very caustic letter from P. M. Wolsieffer to our correspondent, John R. Hooper. While we are not prepared to express any opinion on the Chalmers-Hill controversy, always having considered that the vast amount of wind wasted on this subject might have been put to use, we do wish to say a word on the other matter referred to. If the advertisement of John R. Hooper which Mr. Wolsieffer refers to as bearing the initials A. P. A. is the one which has been running in "Philately" for some months, we hardly think Mr. Hooper is to blame in the matter, as upon looking up his original copy for the advertisement, we find the initials written A. P. S. as he claims. Being familiar with "A. P. A.," and never having heard of "A. P. S.," the error was overlooked by the proof reader.—[Philately.

Perhaps the above will convince Mr. Wolsieffer that his attack on me was entirely uncalled for.

One of the chiefs of the Zulus is John Dunn, and he has a novel postage system of his own. Everyone has heard of this white chief of the Zulus—an Englishman who is held in awe by the black savages of the dark continent. He has fifty wives, and about as many swarthy young Zulus are occupied in the postal service of John Dunn. These couriers are sent on errands into different parts of the country delivering messages and receiving letters sent to their chief. Original postmen they are, too, with nothing on their black skin but the letter-bag itself and a *moutcha* (an apron a foot square). On the bag, in gilt letters, are the words "John Dunn, Chief, Zululand." I have seen these messengers, who are selected for their speed, start on a trip of fifty or sixty miles, on foot, with a single letter. Great Britain has her "protectorate" over Zululand now, and English post-offices are springing up, and the savages are being crowded back into the interior, yet John Dunn keeps up his royal household, and all the principal Zulu chiefs feel highly honored when he selects one of their fattest daughters as a wife. CANADENSIS.

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New Stamps for the United States.

It has been decided by those in authority, to have a new issue of United States postage stamps. The contract for printing the stamps has been awarded by Postmaster General Wanamaker to the American Bank Note Company, of New York, who will print all the stamps used in four years from January 1, 1890. The stamps will be somewhat reduced in size, being about one-eighth smaller than those in use at the present time, or about the size of the Canadian stamps. The design will be changed somewhat, to conform to the new size, and with the exception of the 1c. stamp, the colors will be entirely different from those in use at present. We are informed that the colors will be as follows:—

- 1 cent, ultramarine blue.
- 2 “ carmine.
- 3 “ royal purple.
- 4 “ chocolate.
- 5 “ light brown.
- 6 “ vermilion.
- 10 “ milori green.
- 15 “ steel blue.
- 30 “ black.
- 90 “ orange.

The American Bank Note Company gave the Government a bond for \$200,000, for the fulfilment of the postage stamp contract.

In connection with the above, it may be interesting to our readers to know how postage stamps are made. The following originally appeared in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, and was recently copied by the Boston Globe, but we think it will bear repeating once more.

“Scarcely any manufactured article is more universally used than the postage stamp, millions being consumed every year, but the process of manufacture is known to but few. Some of the longest

and most bitterly contested lawsuits on record have arisen in relation to different patents employed in the manufacture of stamps, and an immense amount of ingenuity has been expended in bringing the art of printing them rapidly and cheaply to its present perfection. Postage stamps are used in nearly all civilized countries, but almost all are manufactured either in London, Paris or New York. The entire American continent, some European States and many of the South Sea islands are supplied with stamps from New York, and the whole supply of the United States Government is manufactured by the American Bank Note Company of that place. The government itself on more than one occasion made estimates of the cost of manufacturing its own stamps, but when compared with the bids made by the bank note company, the cost was found to be excessive, and the contract has been retained by the bank note company.

The first step in the manufacture of stamps is to make the die. The device, which has generally been the head of some distinguished public man, is settled upon by the government, and the drawings made. The service of the engraver is next required. An engraving in deep intaglio is made upon steel, which has been softened by a peculiar process of decarbonization. The device is cut, and afterwards the border, which is a more or less complicated scroll. The steel is then hardened by recarbonization, and the intaglio, technically known as the female die, is ready for use.

The next step is to make the upper die, known as the male die or punch. A cube of soft steel is pressed by a hydraulic ram upon the intaglio engraving, and after it has been forced into all the depressions, is slightly touched up with the

graver. A cameo counterpart of the *intaglio* is thus formed, and from these the sheet is made up by pressing the hardened steel upon the softer metal. The discovery of the process of softening the steel for working and hardening it for use greatly simplified the task of printing stamps, as formerly but one pair of dies was used, owing to the cost of engraving and the practical impossibility of making by hand a number of exactly similar devices, and the process of printing stamps was therefore a very slow and expensive one.

The dies are arranged in a press, each press producing a sheet of 200 stamps. When this sheet is ready for issue it is torn in two, the stamps furnished to postmasters coming in half sheets. The paper is supplied by the government daily on requisition from the manufacturer, a careful record being kept of the amount of the issue, and the company must return the full number of stamped sheets that have been issued unstamped. The sheets are placed in the press and by an ingenious device are fed to the dies and counted. The paper rests upon the female die, which alone is inked, the punch coming down upon it and pressing the paper upon the inked surface. The printing is true steel engraving, the process being exactly opposite from that employed in printing from type, the lower surfaces receiving the deep color and the upper one being light.

The next step is to gum the stamped sheets. This was formerly done by hand, large brushes being used, but a more effectual method has been devised by which a roller is passed over the sheets by machinery, applying the gum evenly over the entire surface. Great care is taken in the preparation of this glue, as it is necessary to give the sheets a coating that will not become soft and sticky through exposure to a moist atmosphere, and which will still be sufficiently adhesive to prevent the possibility of the stamps becoming detached from the letters to which they are affixed. An entire issue of three-cent stamps, those printed

in blue and bearing the figure of a locomotive, had to be retired because of the imperfection of the gummed surface. The cost to the government amounted to tens of thousands of dollars, and the inconvenience to the public was extreme, as the stamps frequently failed to adhere, and the letters were not sent to their destination. After the process of gumming is completed the sheets are placed upon racks and dried by being passed over a series of steam pipes.

The last step in the manufacture is to punch the holes dividing one stamp from another. This seems simple enough, but as a matter of fact the invention of a means by which single stamps could be separated from a sheet gave more trouble than any other process in their manufacture, and occasioned a law-suit that lasted many years. Men scarcely beyond middle life can remember the trouble and annoyance occasioned by the old-fashioned sheets which were without perforation or division of any kind. A regular part of the equipment of every office and every house was a tin ruler and a pair of shears to cut stamps from the sheet. The inconvenience of such a process is evident, and about 1845 the English government offered a reward for any device by which the stamps could be printed so as to be easily divided from the sheet. A series of knives or lances cutting through the space between the stamps was first tried, but proved highly unsatisfactory. The stamps were liable to tear, and the knives almost immediately became so blunted as to be practically useless. A mechanic named Archer then presented a device consisting of a number of hollow punches with sharp edges, which would perforate the sheets at short intervals. This was tried and pronounced ineffective. The post office authorities declared that the paper soon clogged the machine and rendered it useless. It was neglected for a time, but finally one or two improvements were introduced, and a defect in the paper furnished, arising from its unequal thickness, was remedied. The perforating machine was then found to operate

perfectly, and is now in use all over the world. Archer had a long lawsuit with the postal authorities, which after many years was decided in his favor, and he received a large sum as a compensation for the use of his apparatus.

In perforating stamps for use in this country, the gummed and dried sheets are piled up 50 thick and placed under a heavy piece of machinery provided with many hundred punches so arranged as to pierce the spaces between the stamps.

The sheets are run through lengthwise, and afterwards changed in position, and the cross perforations made. They are then ready for issue. Each sheet is divided into two equal parts, and the stamps are delivered to the government. The postmaster-general issues them on the requisition of the various postmasters."

Chronicle.

ANTIOQUIA—In our last number the word "Provincial" should read "Provisional." There are six varieties of the 5c. and two of the 2 1-2c. all on one sheet in four horizontal lines, the 2 1-2c. being at the bottom. They are said to have been issued in July and were superseded in August by two others of the same values and general appearance, 2 1-2c. red on white, and 5c. red on yellow. There are ten varieties of each on two horizontal lines. The sixth stamp of 2 1-2c. reads "centavos." The above are all obsolete, four new stamps having been since issued. The arms are in an oval surrounded by "Correos del Departamento de Antioquia" and at the top "Republica de Colombia." All are printed in black and perf. 13 1-2. 1c. on rose paper, 2 1-2c. on blue, 5c. on yellow and 10c. on green.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC—There is a new 1-2c. stamp, blue, with head of Urquiza, inscribed "Correos y Telegrafos."

BELGIUM—The 1c. has gone back to its gray color.

BR. GUIANA—The 1c. and 8c. Inland Revenue have appeared, and Mr. Maury has seen a new issue inscribed "Postage and Revenue" above, and printed in violet,

except the above words and the value, which is below, 1c. green, 2c. orange, 4c. blue, 6c. brown, 8c. rose, 12c. violet, 24c. green, 48c. red, 72c. bistre, 96c. carmine.

BR. NORTH BORNEO—The "I. B. J." illustrates two large stamps about 35x40 mm., \$5.00 violet, \$10. brown.

CANADA—The 2c. is blue green.

COLOMBIA—The following have been issued with "Correos de la Republica de Colombia" 50c. bistre on yellowish; 1 peso, lilac on white; 5 pesos, yellow-brown on white, and 10 pesos, black on red, glazed paper. There is also a new 20c. with "Republica" instead of "Repulica" and the value "20" repeated three times.

COSTA RICA—The 2c. blue fiscal is surcharged "Correos," and the new set we mentioned last December has appeared. The design varies with each value, but all have the head of the president and monogram U. P. U., and are inscribed "Correos y Telegrafos." They are made in London and perf. 14 1-2, 1c. brown, 2c. dark green, 5c. orange, 10c. red-brown, 20c. sea green, 50c. rose, 1p blue, 2p. violet, 5p. olive-green.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC—"Der. Ph." illustrates a new provisional stamp. The 2c. red is surcharged "1 CENT" in blue.

DUTCH INDIES—There is a new card 5c. dark blue on pale blue, with reverse white. 150x90mm.

GERMAN EMPIRE—Mr. Blanmuth has favored us with a new 5pf. card. The value is in the centre in small oval, with crown above, and "Reichpost" below. The inscription "Deutsche Reichspost—Postkarte" are in German letters in two lines. Green on pale buff.

GIBRALTAR—The 20c. envelope also comes size K., and there are two values of the 15c. card, differing in the figure 1 of the surcharge.

GOLD COAST—We hear of new stamps inscribed "Postage and Revenue," with bust of Queen in octagon, and large figures of value below in shield. 5sh. lilac and blue, 10sh. lilac and carmine, 20sh. green and carmine, also a 3d. olive-yellow of the old type.

GUINEA—"Le T. P." mentions the 200 reis lilac, and 300 reis orange.

ITALY—The 10c. card has now the stamp of current type printed in carmine. The date "'89" is at the left. The 15c. reply paid card has now a stamp of the value of 7 1-2c.

LIBERIA—The stamp on the small size envelope is of a new design and slightly larger than before. Color 55 instead of 48. The 1c. is now perforated 13 1-2.

NEW FOUNDLAND—The 'A. J. P.' says that 1c., 2c. and 3c. wrappers have appeared. Design and colors unknown.

PHILIPPINE I—"Le T. P." chronicles two post cards with stamp in the middle between the words "Tarjeta" and "Postal" 2c. brown on buff, 3 plus 3c. carmine on buff. Form 2.

PORTUGAL—The 2 1-2c. is bistre.

RUSSIA—Envelopes with new stamps have been issued, 10k. blue on yellow, 145x80 and 145x120mm., 20k. blue on blue, same sizes.

SPAIN—We have new stamps with bust of the baby King Alfonso XIII. 2c. blue-green, 5c. blue, 10c. yellow-brown, 15c. violet-brown, 20c. yellow-green, 25c. blue, 30c. green, 40c. brown, 50c. rose, 75c. orange-red, 1p. purple, 4p. carmine, 10p. flesh color.

SWEDEN—Letter cards have been issued, 5 ore green, 10 ore red, on gray card. The stamp has figure of value in circle surrounded by octagonal frame.

ST. VINCENT—The 1d. is now printed in blue, and surcharged "2 1-2 pence."

SWITZERLAND—The 5c. card now has the German, French and Italian inscriptions, 34, 40 1-2 and 46mm. long.

TOBAGO—We hear of the 2 1-2d. blue surcharged 1 penny, and the 6d. orange surcharged 1-2 penny.—[Philatelic World.

International Exhibition of Stamps.

The Bavarian Society of Philately are already preparing to hold the grand philatelic exhibition which opens in Magdebourg, Germany, 1st of May, 1890. This event will commemorate the 50th anniversary of the introduction of postage

stamps. The committee will, no doubt, also take in hand the subject of a fitting celebration, in honor of the originator and promoter of the adhesive postage stamp and world's present postal system,—Sir Rowland Hill. Gigantic efforts will be put forth not only to out do all other exhibitions of stamps heretofore held, but to cap the climax, by a more valuable prize list, in order to induce foreign competition. These exhibitions tend to increase the interest in our science, and every effort put forth in this direction serves to enlist a better sympathy and love for our Goddess—"Philatelia." Medals in gold, silver and bronze, besides diplomas will be given, altogether there being thirty-six prizes distributed as follows:—

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3—For the most complete collection of envelopes, cards, bands, etc.

4—For the best collection of the stamps and entires of Europe.

5—For the best collection of stamps only of Europe.

6—For the collection the most complete in stamps and entires in all other countries excepting Europe.

7—For the best collection of stamps of America, Asia, Africa and Oceanica.

8—For the collection showing the most complete exhibit of any one country and her colonies, such as England, Spain, Portugal, etc.

Two prizes in each of the following classes:

9—For the author of the best catalogue, same to be exhibited by the editor.

10—For the best permanent album.

11—For the best album for special collections of the world, with types of varieties, perforations, etc.

12—For the best album with cuts of the stamps to suit collectors who do not collect watermark or perforation varieties.

13—For the most useful and simple project to popularize Philately.

14—For the best model of an article offering the best guarantee for the preservation of a large collection of stamps and entires, or separate.

There is also to be a grand lottery of stamps, none to be worth less than \$1.00 apiece. The committee is a strong one consisting of President Oscar Friese, Dr. H. Bermewitz, Dr. Marechaux, J. Brummer and B. Luppert, lawyers; J. A. Dunigean, banker. Success is assured.

CANADENSIS.

Editorial Notes.

"The Essex County Philatelist" is a new paper from Lawrence, Mass.

Theodore Buhl & Co., of London, are about to re-publish the "Stamp News."

Mr. F. C. T. Davis, of Salem, Mass., is closing out his stock and will retire from the stamp business.

The Scott Stamp and Coin Co. will hold their 93rd Auction Sale of stamps, Wednesday, Nov. 20th.

Geo. H. Watson, of New York, is about to publish a Catalogue of Post Cards. Part I will contain all the cards of Europe.

Have you voted for Secretary yet? Your vote must be in the hands of trustee Scott before Dec. 4, or it will not be counted.

Mr. Charles J. Phillips, of Edgbaston, England, is about to publish the "Stamp Advertiser and Auction Record," to make its appearance Dec. 15, 1889.

The November number of the "Western Philatelist" is a great improvement over the first issue. The publishers have struck a printer who knows his business.

The post card collection of Geo. H. Watson, the publisher of the "Post Card" and "Watson's Post Card and Letter Card Catalogue," numbers over 3300 varieties.

The "Midland Philatelist" will make its appearance from Geneva, Nebraska, about December 1st. It will be managed by A. V. Dworak, and edited by E. A. Coombs.

The best lot of stamps we have seen for a long time were some exchange books received from the Chicago Philatelic Society. The Chicago certainly is the banner branch of the A. P. A.

Lincoln Rappleye, of Trumansburg, N. Y., formerly clerk for Durbin & Hanes, of Philadelphia, has given up his position with that firm and gone into the stamp business for himself, at his old home.

Jewett & Lyons, of Portland, Me., are about to publish a complete, condensed work on Counterfeits. We would suggest that they include a list of those dealers who manufacture and sell counterfeits.

The "Philatelic Nonpareil" is a new four page paper published by Edwin A. Durgin, of Boston. The first number is dated November, and is quite well gotten up, and contains several interesting articles.

Jewett & Lyons, of Portland, Me., have just issued the "Stamp Collectors' Dictionary and Guide." It is a very handy Manual and Reference List of philatelic words, terms, devices, watermarks, etc., is well gotten up and contains sixty-four pages and cover.

We have received the Constitution of the American Philatelic Association adopted at its first Convention held in New York City, Sept. 14, 1886, as amended at its 4th Convention held in St. Louis, Oct. 7th, 1889. It is well gotten up and out in good season.

E. L. French, of Wellington, Ohio, has issued an eight page circular giving correspondence between himself and one of his customers about stamps claimed to be lost in transit. People who had rather take the risk of losing valuable packages than pay 10 cents for registration, must expect to get caught sooner or later.

No. 1 of the "Peninsular Philatelist" has made its appearance from Grand Rapids, Mich. It is a four page sheet. Unlike the majority of new papers received lately, it is well gotten up and well printed. The editor lights onto H. C. Moody in great shape. An "open letter" from Mr. Moody is now in order.

"Upon the resignation of S. B. Pradford as Secretary, at the recent convention, the name of S. B. Bradt was proposed by the Chicago Phil. Society. Mr. S. B. Bradt has held the office in question and gave universal satisfaction, except to a few "croakers." We appeal to all Western members to support in the coming election a western man, one who has been tried and not found wanting. No doubt the eastern men think that they should have all the officers residing in their section of the footstool, for many reasons, chief among which is the desire to run the Association. S. B. Bradt is so well known as to need no introduction, and although a dealer, has always been hand and heart with the collectors, as is evinced by his numerous articles in the "Philatelic Press." He is the man for the place, and we call upon all western members and all western papers to support a western man."—[Peninsular Philatelist.

We are not a "Western member," the STAMP WORLD is not a "Western paper" and we do not care a copper whether an officer lives in New York or San Francisco. Mr. S. B. Bradt is our choice, however, and we believe he is the "man for the place" and that he will be elected. If there are any members who have not voted yet, they must hurry or their votes will not be counted.

Communication.

JOHN M. HUBBARD,

Lake Village, N. H.

SIR:—I have read Mr. Dilg's letter in your last number, and while he appears to be unaware that Mr. Wolsieffer *first* attacked me in a most violent manner, I surely must be allowed to use my own judgment as to whether it was *gentlemanly* or not. However, I do not wish to draw others into the vortex, but simply ask Mr. Wolsieffer if he accepts the statement that I *did not* cause the letters A. P. A. to be placed after my name? He has no doubt seen the remarks in "Philately," and surely he should be willing to accept the explanation offered. If he does, I am willing to forgive and forget,

and, what's more, "shake hands over the bloody chasm." The language I used, I admit, was strong, but it was forced upon me, not from my own liking, as I have in two or three papers given an explanation of the cause of the attack *first* made by Mr. Wolsieffer upon me, yet no notice was taken of it that I am aware of. This, to me, is severe provocation. I have always maintained a rule to say ill of no one unless first attacked, but when attacked I will defend myself until the wrong is righted. I ask *anyone*, why did Mr. Wolsieffer first attack me? As yet I cannot positively state what for, although I have my opinion. Mr. Wolsieffer's answer to this I will await and I trust he will see his way clear to end the "war of words" begun by himself.

Faithfully yours,

J. R. HOOPER.

United States of Brazil.

Since our last issue went to press a change has come over Brazil. Then it was an empire with Don Pedro at its head. Today it is the United States of Brazil, and its late Emperor is now out in the cold. There will be new stamps, but collectors will not be compelled to pay fancy prices for the old ones, for the very reason that some enterprising stamp firm or a combination of stamp dealers will in all probability buy up the remainders. We clip the following from the "Boston Journal."

"The Provisional Government has promised to respect the Princess' matrimonial contract and also the pensions conceded the poor by Don Pedro. All Brazilians able to read and write are entitled to vote at elections for Government officers.

Exchange remains unaltered. It is said the United States have recognized the republic.

The Brazilian Navy, under command of Baron Coruba and Viscount Maracuya, has recognized the change of Government. The Baron has sworn allegiance to the republic.

Viscount Ouro Preto, chief of the deposed Imperial Ministry, has left Brazil.

The republican flag is the old national colors, with the addition of 21 stars, representing the different states of the new United States of Brazil. It is inscribed with the words "Order and Progress."

Government stamps now bear a blue globe encircled by the words "Republic of the United States of Brazil."

General tranquility prevails."

Can't Dun by Postal Card.

LOCKPORT, N. Y. Nov. 7.—Rudolph Sternsdorff, the agent in this country for a Berlin (Germany) bitters company, and also for an imported sausage concern in the same place, with his headquarters in Buffalo, was today arrested by the United States authorities for sending several postal cards to a firm in this city, Tully & Co., in which he dunned them for a small bill, and after their names wrote the letters "D. B." Sternsdorff was held for the United States District court.

This is the first case of the kind ever brought before the United States Courts, and will be watched with general interest.

The law in the matter is substantially as follows:

"All matter upon any envelope, outside cover or wrapper, or any postal card, upon which any delineations, epithets, terms, languages, &c., defamatory or threatening in character, or calculated by the terms or manner or style of display, and obviously intended to reflect injuriously upon the character or conduct of another, that may be written or printed, are declared non-mailable matter and any person that shall knowingly deposit such matter for circulation, and causes the same to be taken from the mails, shall for each and every offence, upon conviction, be fined not more than \$5000 or imprisonment at hard labor for not more than five years, or both."

This law was passed June 18, 1888.—[Post Card.]

An International Stamp.

Mr. Charles Hancock, a most useful critic of the English Post-Office, makes in the London "Times" the best suggestion in international postal affairs presented in many a day.

This is an international stamp, good in any country included in the Postal Union and sold in all of them. Such a stamp would fill two constant wants in international correspondence. It would be used for small remittances from country to country, and it would enable a man in writing a letter to a foreign country requiring an answer to enclose postage.

We do not believe there is today any minor want in the round of postal matters more pressing than the lack which would be filled by this stamp. Scarcely a week, certainly not a month, passes with anyone carrying on a large international correspondence in which a need for such a stamp does not occur. This is true in particular of the correspondence of those of limited means with interests abroad and few friends, or of scholars seeking information of other scholars. It is bad enough to have to ask a favor of an answer of some stranger abroad; it is far worse to have to inflict the payment of postage on the man who grants the favor. There are countless situations in which such a stamp would be useful, as we have more than once pointed out.

The only practical difficulty in the way of issuing such a stamp is the circumstance that, while sold by one country, they would be used in another; but this would even itself as do other international postal charges. This country, with the largest outgo of foreign mail in the world, would lose more than any other in their issue, as more would be bought and less used here than in any other country. If the United States, under these circumstances, urged the international stamp, other postal departments could scarcely object, and a slightly higher rate for the stamp would meet its cost.

A petition for such a stamp has been made, we understand, to the French postal authorities. We do not believe that Post-master General Wanamaker could begin a reform which would confer benefit upon a larger number of persons than this, simple as it is.—[Philadelphia Press.]

Current Items.

Eight philatelic publications have been started in New Hampshire, and but two are now existing.

E. A. Holton, the stamp dealer, is an eminent Free Mason and Knight Templar, and Generalissimo of the Boston Commandery. He is one of those who recently made the "pilgrimage" to Washington.

NO REST FOR THE WEARY. *Farmer's Daughter*. "While your'e waitin' p'raps you'd like to look at my postage-stamp album?"

Wayfaring Stranger. "Wow!"

F. D. "Help! Are you crazy?"

Stranger. "No: I'm receiving clerk at the New York post-office, and I hoped to get through this vacation without a chill!"—[Judge.

The "Boston Herald" is already criticising the bright carmine color of the forthcoming two-cent stamp.

The new Spanish set is a veritable philatelic curiosity, bearing, as it does, the portrait of the baby king.

George Gould is an ardent Stamp-Collector, and devotes much of his leisure to arranging his collection, which is said to be one of the finest in the world.

It is certain says the Portsmouth "States-Union," that within a very short time we shall have one cent postage.

"I'll put a head on you," said the postage stamp to the letter. "All right," said the letter, "but you will be stuck on me before you get through; we have cornered a good many fellows of your stamp."—[Commercial Bulletin.

The Russian stamps are not printed in aniline inks as has been often stated: but before the design is printed, the paper is coated with a substance composed principally of clay, and printed upon. Of course, on moistening the stamp, the clay is washed off and the larger part of the design with it.

Mulready envelopes and wrappers are worth about five dollars each.

Mrs. Garfield is said to have expressed

the opinion that the finest portrait of her martyred husband, is the one now to be seen on our five cent stamps.

The most absurd statements imaginable about stamp collectors get into the columns of the daily press. For instance a writer on one of the largest New York dailies says: "A stamp album will give your boy great pleasure and will afford him satisfaction and instruction for ten years: [why ten years?] besides which a collection will be a good investment, for a complete (!) collection always (!) sells for much more than all its contents cost piece meal. [I wonder how many "complete collections" have been sold at all?] Single specimens of rare stamps come as high as \$1,000.00 each." [For instance? who knows of that price ever being paid for a single stamp?]

And here's another ill-natured remark from an "associated" letter; it needs no comment. "It appears there are over 600 [!] persons in this country who are not ashamed to have it known that they habitually make collections of various kinds of postage stamps. They have an association - - - - called the American Philatelic Association. It wants one specimen very badly—the stamp of genius."

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A Philadelphia man spent six years in collecting a million stamps. Not all different, though, by any means.

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Slack: "Give it up."

Slick: (moving off) "Children were licked and put in the corner, instead!"

Money orders can now be paid to a stranger without identification, provided the sender instructs the postmaster to "waive examination."

Why cant the postage stamp learn the alphabet? Because it's always getting "stuck" on a letter.—[Sel.

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Auction Sales of Stamps.

The casual reader who picks up this paper may wonder what there is to write about on so commonplace a thing as an Auction, beyond recording the prices realized by this or that article, but if he be an observer of men and things, he will know and understand that the introduction of a new mode of buying and selling into a comparatively young trade or profession, science or hobby,—call it what you will—must necessarily have considerable influence on its future, both to the dealer and collector, and must in this case either establish stamp-dealing on a firmer and more permanent basis, or add to its decline. I am unable to say when the first sale by public auction was held, neither does it matter for purposes of the present article, as if it may not actually date from the time of Noah, or even prehistoric times, it is sufficiently ancient to make one wonder how the world would nowadays get along without auctions and auctioneers.

It is well known to philatelists that the sale of postage stamps (collections and otherwise) is not a novelty in the United States, and is there looked upon as a recognized branch of the trade, one firm having held their 93rd sale on the 20th of last month, and two other firms being engaged in the same business; but, as regards this country, it is but an innovation, barely a year old. It is true that on March 18th, 1872, what was then termed 'an exceedingly choice and select collection of postage stamps,' was sold at auction by Messrs. Sotheby, Wilkinson & Hodge, at Wellington Street, Strand, and this was undoubtedly the first thing of its kind in this country. There were 275 lots, all from the collection of J. W. Scott, who afterwards started the auctions in New

York, and who started what is now the Scott Stamp and Coin Company, Limited, and it is interesting to compare the prices of that time with those of the present day. The 275 lots realized £252 9s., and amongst others we find the set of U. S. 1851, together with ten varieties in color and perforation were sold for 5s.; the set of three varieties 5c. St. Louis stamp, £2 13s.; and the three varieties, 10c. St. Louis, realized £2 7s.; these last two lots would now bring about £35 instead of the £5 they were sold for in 1872. The 5c. New York, now worth 12s. 6., fetched 3s.; one of the 5c. Brattleboro fetched £3, and would now-a-days fetch about £30, though it was damaged. Eight used Wells Fargo stamps fetched £1 12s.; the 5c. red Petersburg, 16s. now worth £2; the 2c. light blue Memphis 1s. now worth £2; two of the same unsevered, 15s., which would now fetch £5 or more. A reference to these prices simply proves how very much prices have increased in the last seventeen years, and that an investment in stamps at that time would have paid better than most other things. The most satisfactory part is, however, as every expert knows that the next seventeen years will see just the same increase, and in years to come we shall find £50 just as common a price for a stamp as it is for an old coin.

After this, we find a long interval, broken only by a similar sale in Edinburgh, in 1885, about which, however, we can get no further information, except that a large London collector went to the sale and bought well, and that a well known member of the London Philatelic Society was the largest purchaser, laying out about £26, and that the prices ruled very low. To turn to recent times, we may mention that the idea of these sales has been often mooted and considered by va-

rious dealers, notably by Mr. Theodore Buhl and Mr. Cheverly, but neither ever had sufficient confidence in its benefits to make the experiment. The credit belongs to Mr. Douglas Garth, one of our largest collectors, who, at his own risk and expense, inaugurated a sale at 77 Chancery Lane, on 25th November, 1888.

After arranging preliminaries, getting the necessary stamps together and giving up his own time and the use of one of his offices for a public view, Mr. Garth had to look round for an auctioneer—the most difficult part of the matter, as it was desirable to find one who understood stamps, and, considering the objections of most dealers to have anything to do with the matter, one who was not a dealer. He was fortunate in remembering Mr. Thomas Bull, a noted collector for some time, and to him Mr. Garth proposed that he should mount the rostrum, mentioning also that if the sale was a success, Mr. Bull could arrange any future sales on his own account. As he himself puts it, Mr. Bull looked upon it as “an afternoon’s amusement,” and also prompted by curiosity, he accepted the post, little thinking that his doing so would have such a considerable influence on the future of Philately in this country.

The sale being a success and prices ruling high, Mr. Bull was soon inundated with offers for and suggestions as to future sales, some good, and many so absurd that they evidently emanated from non-philatelists, and about which I shall have more to say later on. On 19th January, 1889, he held the first sale on his own account, and the second of the series. The attendance was large, as was to be expected, and the average prices were very fair. Since then Mr. Bull has held nine auctions, finishing the last season in May with his ninth sale, and commencing the present one in October last.

As to the influence of the Auction Sales on the future of Philately, both to collectors and dealers, it is a healthy sign that there are various opinions, as if the matter is of sufficient importance to awaken the interest it has undoubtedly done,

it simply proves to the rest of the world that the science of Philately, or stamp collecting—two different things in themselves, and yet both the same—is established on a much firmer basis than many believe, or care to confess. Stamp Auctions have come to stay; and their usefulness in spreading our science depends entirely on those who attend them. By the former I mean those who send stamps to be sold by auction; and all these should remember that the whole thing is too young to admit of it being overdone.

At present the largest buyers and supporters are dealers and at a recent auction, out of an attendance of about thirty in a two-days’ sale, there were eighteen dealers present while the other dozen or so, who may not have been all collectors, probably bought less than one-fortieth part of the lots. In fairness, I must admit that the dealers probably bought a number of stamps on commission, but I wish to point out that the majority of them support the sales (Mr. Theodor Buhl was the largest buyer at the sales last season, and could not be blamed for withdrawing their support if they find that every collection and every good stamp goes to the auction, while the dealer gets nothing, though he has in many cases heavy expenses for rent, clerks, advertising, postages and a hundred other matters, and locks up a large capital in the business. There will always be enough stamps for both the auctions and the dealers, and, though anyone who wishes his stamps sold under the hammer will always have the opportunity of doing so the majority will, as hitherto, flock to the dealer, for the reason that the latter buys at once and pays cash down, with no deductions for commission or anything else, whereas, by public sale, there is usually a delay of several weeks until the catalogue is printed and issued; and, after that, it is a matter of uncertainty whether a good or bad price is realized, and a probability that, after all, the stamps will be bought by a dealer. As to the buyers at the sales, I have al-

ready remarked how large a proportion are dealers, whether they be men who make their living entirely out of stamps, or who only devote their leisure hours to it, to increase their income; but there are also, undoubtedly, a number of collectors who attend the sales themselves, and bid for anything they may require, few though they may be, as they are mostly advanced Philatelists with large collections, and whose presence gives a certain prestige to the sale; but beyond these, there is another class—gentlemen who, either for personal reasons, or through living at a distance, prefer not to attend personally, and who, consequently, entrust some well-known dealer with commissions to buy whatever they may require. The buyers at a distance are the real mainstay of the sales, for they have to trust to the honesty and tact of the dealer to buy for them only what he considers sufficiently good copies, and where their limit may be too high, to use his own judgment in not going beyond what he considers a fair price. Here again we find the necessity of the dealer to the proper conduct of the sale, as, if he abuses the confidence placed in him, he not only risks the loss of a customer, but he loses one for any future sales. An exceptionally high price for any particular stamp is usually caused by several buyers wanting the same thing and, each being determined to pay any price, there is sure to be a fancy figure recorded: so that, when another specimen of the same kind fetches a less price, it is immediately looked upon as a decline in the value. Space forbids me to prolong my remarks in this number, but to sum up, I would express a strong opinion that one sale a month, at the outside, is sufficient for the present; that sending too many stamps to sell is an error, as conducing to reduce the price; and that, as to buying, the more the better, providing it is done with caution and judgment—[The Stamp News.]

Chronicle.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC—There are three new stamps 12c. blue, head of J. B. Al-

berdi; 20c. blue green, head of Julio A. Roca; 3c. blue green, head of Prest. Celman.

BULGARIA—"Le T. P." says the 5 plus 5 sto. card is the same type as the 5 sto. card of 1887.

COSTA RICA—The 1c. and 2c. of the new issue are surcharged "Guanacaste."

CURACAO—The figure of value in the new 2c. is upright. The 2 1-2c. and 5c. have also been issued with figure of value in centre.

DANISH W. I.—The 3c. card has now a period after "Vestindien" and the period after "Danoises" is without the parentheses.

GERMAN EMPIRE—The new 3pf. brown, and 5pf. green have figure of value in center and "Reichspost" below. The 10 rose, 20 blue, 25 orange and 50 red brown, have eagle in a circle and "Reichspost" above. There are also band 3pf. envelope 10pf., cards 5pf., 5 plus 5pf., 10pf., 10 plus 10pf., same color as the stamps of same value.

The stamps are surcharged for use in the Levant, of the same value as the last issue.

GIBRALTAR—The surcharged envelope comes size G. The new stamps without surcharge have commenced to appear.

We have seen the 5c. and 10c. and the 5c. card,

GUATEMALA—"Le T. P." notes the 10c. surcharged in two lines "1889—Official," and M. Maury announces envelopes of 5c. and 10c., and new cards of 2c., 3c., 2 plus 2c. and 3 plus 3c. No particulars are given.

JAPAN—Lieut. Wainwright informs us that the 5 rin gray and the old six sen come perforated 13 1-2.

KHEAN GUAN—The "I. B. J." says the 2c. rose of Straits Settlements is surcharged with name of this State.

LIBERIA—According to the "I. B. J." there are three types of the 10c. envelope stamp.

MEXICO—"Le T. P." has envelopes of 5c. blue and 10c. red, with flap opening at the left end. At the left is an eagle

and the words "Servicio Postal Mexicana" in red. They are of white wove paper; also an envelope 5c. blue on laid paper, 146x89mm. Watermark, arms in circle.

NEWFOUNDLAND—The bands noted last month resemble those of Trinidad, and the colors are 1c. dark green, 2c. carmine, 3c. brown. There are also two envelopes somewhat resembling the Ceylon 4c. with "Newfoundland Postage" above and value below. "Three cents," dark lilac, 120x90mm., and "Five cents" blue, 140x78mm., both on white laid paper.

NEW SOUTH WALES—Envelope 1d. lilac and 2d. blue on blue laid paper. 130x78mm

PAHANG—The "I. B. J." says the 2c. rose of Straits Settlements is surcharged with name of this State.

QUEENSLAND—The "Ph. R." has a new card of 1d. 124x76mm. resembling those of 2d. and 3d. lately issued. Crimson lake on buff.

ROUMANIA—The "I. B. J." informs us that the current stamps are now watermarked with the arms of Roumania (shield, crown, etc.) and the 5 bani, unpaid letter stamp is green on yellow.

SARAWAK—The 8c. has been surcharged "2c." in black over the value.

SANTANDER—The "A. J. of P." illustrates a new 1c. The value is in an oval in the center at the bottom with "correos" on each side. The eagle is smaller and the lettering larger. Perforated 13.

SHANGHAI—The following have appeared with watermark; 40 black, 60 rose (perf. 15), 80 green and 100 blue (perf. 12.)

SIAM—The 2 att. is surcharged with native characters signifying 1 att. in addition, in black, thus making the value 3 att.

SPAIN—"Der Ph." notes the 10c. card with new stamp. Dark brown on buff.

SURINAM—Mr. Krebs has shown us the 1g. with red brown frame and gray head.

SWEDEN—The 12 and 24 ore have been surcharged in blue, with a circle containing three crowns over the central figure of value, "10" in each of the upper cor-

ners and "Tio ore" below. There were issued respectively 1,957,000 and 204,000. Similarly the 12 and 24 ore officials have been surcharged with crowns at the sides over the ovals containing the values. Suspended from these is a band inscribed "Tio-10-ore" and at the top below "Sverige" is "Tjenstefrimarke," of these there were issued 201,000 and 144,000. The 12 ore envelope has also become 10 ore by surcharge of "10" over the crowns, a rectangular label below containing "Kongl Postverket" and below this "Tio ore." 88,000 of them were made.—[Philatelic World.]

How to Make a Special Collection of U. S. Adhesives.

In these days of specialism, more attention should be paid to varieties, shades, watermarks, etc. A general collector would undoubtedly have his hands full were he to try to collect all varieties of the stamps of every stamp-issuing country, but in my opinion a special collection should consist of the numerous varieties of paper and perforation, sizes of grill, shades of color, oddities, pairs and blocks.

Nearly all United States stamps are to be found in two shades of color—light and dark—and some in three shades, as the 3c., 1857, which was printed in red, vermilion-red and brown-red; the 10c., 1863, Confederate States, printed in blue, dark blue and greenish blue, and many others distinguishable to the naked eye, should, I think, be in a collection of U. S. stamps.

According to some catalogues there are eight different sizes of grill on the postage stamps of the United States, and there are also several varieties in the dies of the stamps of 1851 and '57, such as the 1c. and 3c. with and without extra line, and the 5c. with and without projections. The most important of these varieties should be collected.

Also collect oddities. There is nothing more interesting to a philatelist than a collection of oddities. When I say oddities, I mean stamps unlike the regular

issues, imperforate, double perforate, very wide borders, or in any way different from the regular stamps. Of course one can go to extremes in this line, and many collectors do, but I can see no sense in classing as an oddity a stamp so near like the ordinary as not to be noticed at first glance.

Pairs, triplets, blocks, etc. should be collected, and although the higher values are seldom met with in this shape, the lower values are often found in blocks of four and six stamps, and frequently larger blocks are found. Rare stamps should be preserved on the original envelopes when possible, as this is generally evidence of their genuineness. The collector of revenues should collect varieties in perforation and paper, shades of color, pairs and blocks.

While a collection of this kind will be much more difficult to obtain than a collection consisting of only one variety of each stamp, I think the collector will find it more interesting. A collection of this kind will, of course, have to be mounted in a blank album, or on sheets of cardboard. I prefer the latter way. OSMAR.

The Newspaper Stamps of the United States.

To my mind there are no stamps more beautiful or interesting than our Newspaper stamps. Beautiful in design and color, and interesting because so little understood and so different from anything else of the kind. The first ones were issued in 1865 and were very large stamps, a trifle over two inches wide and about four inches long. They consisted of three denominations, 5c. blue, head of Washington, 10c. green, head of Franklin, 25c. red, head of Lincoln.

These three were printed with outside border to correspond with the color of the stamp, but in 1867 there was another 5c. stamp issued, exactly like the former one in every way with the exception of a white border instead of blue.

This set was in use until 1875, when an entirely new series was brought out, consisting of twenty-four stamps ranging in

value from 2 cents to \$60 and may be briefly described as follows:

2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, and 10 cent black, all with figure of Liberty. 12, 24, 36, 48, 60, 72, 84 and 96 cent carmine, all with figure of Justice. All values from 12c. to 96c. come in two distinct shades, although they are not mentioned in any of the American catalogues. \$1.92 brown figure of Ceres. \$3.00 vermilion, Goddess of Victory. \$6.00 blue, Clio. \$9.00 orange, Minerva. \$12.00 green, Vesta. \$24.00 violet, Peace. \$36.00 red, Commerce. \$48.00 chocolate, Hebe. \$60.00 violet, Minnehaha, and in 1885 a 1c. stamp was added to the set with the same design as the other low values.

They are not used on newspapers, as many suppose, but are pasted in a book for that purpose, and every so often are sent to Washington and destroyed.

Several years ago they could be procured at the different Post Offices just as you could buy ordinary postage stamps, but that law has been repealed and they are now very rare.

The reason used specimens are often seen, may be explained by the fact that the Lockport, N. Y. Post Office was burned some years ago, and large quantities were procured at that time.

There are dangerous counterfeits made in Europe and sold at a very low price.

PHILATELIST.

The Origin of Postal Stamps.

Of the large number of stamp collectors, very few have taken the trouble to consider where Postal Stamps originated. In a pamphlet published in Paris in 1838, we find the idea of prepaid or stamped paper was originated in 1653 by M. de Velay, who established a penny post, placing boxes at the corners of the streets in Paris for the reception of letters, which were franked by pasting slips around them, with the inscription "*Post-Paid the day of—, 1653.*" These slips could be bought for a *sou tape* at the palace, at turn-tables of convents and from porters of colleges.

Spain was the next country to issue postal stamps, their issue having been authorized in 1716. These official stamps were to be used only for letters concerning public business, but the idea apparently died out at the beginning of the present century.

The next attempt at issuing postal stamps was made by Italy in 1819. There were three values: fifty centesimi, twenty-five centesimi and fifteen centesimi. These were but little used, however, and were finally withdrawn in 1836.

In 1837 Mr. Rowland Hill proposed that letters should be prepaid by means of stamped envelopes. Of course this plan met with much opposition but was adopted May 6, 1840.

England having taken the first step in postal reform, was soon followed by Switzerland, in 1843; Brazil, in 1843; Poland, in 1845; United States, in 1847; France, in 1848; Belgium, in 1849; Spain, in 1850; Italy, in 1851; Cape of Good Hope, in 1853; Mexico, in 1856; Russia, in 1857; Prince Edward Island, in 1860; Turkey, in 1863; Samoa, in 1877.

Postal stamps have a large number of designs. Those of England bear the diademed head of Queen Victoria. Those of Brazil bear the portrait of his Majesty Dom Pedro II. The stamps of Chili are the only ones bearing the portrait of Columbus. The stamps of Italy, Austria, Belgium, Prussia and many other countries bear the portrait of the reigning sovereign or the national arms.

JAMES L. WHITLEY.

Editorial Notes.

The C. P. A. Executive report a swindler in one Augustus C. Bass, 335 Hudson St. and 18 Clark St., New York City. Pass him round.

"The Philatelic Beacon" will publish in its Jan., Feb. and March nos. the opinions of over one hundred prominent American philatelists on the Chalmers' "craze."

We have received No. 1, of the "Universal Collector," published by S. H. Wood, Mt. Ayr, Iowa. It consists of 4

pages and is about up to the average of papers of that class.

Henry Gremmel will hold his first Auction Sale of postage stamps at the auction rooms of Geo. A. Leavitt & Co., New York, Jan. 13. It is rather a small collection, containing but 295 lots, but some of the stamps are very good.

The vote on the Constitutional amendment resulted as follows:

To amend the Constitution,	165,
Against amendment,	165,
Not voting on amendment,	10,

Thus the amendment is defeated, not receiving the necessary two-thirds vote.

A new stamp paper is announced as about to be issued from this town the first of January. The name is to be "The Stamp-Collectors' Journal," and Harry Cole Quinby is to occupy the position of editor-in-chief, while Sidney Conant and Henry Foss are to act as associates.

About the 20th of January, the Western Philatelic Publishing Co. will issue an Addenda to the Library Companion. It will be a continuation in the same style, size and quality of paper and contain the names of all new philatelic journals issued in 1889, suspensions, changes, etc.

Following is the result of the recent election for Secretary of the American Philatelic Association:

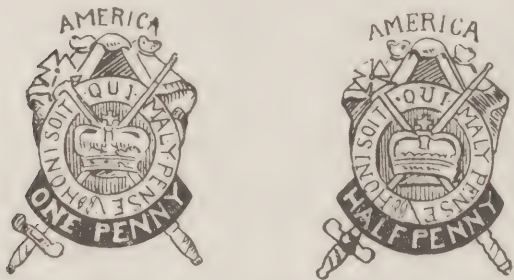
Total number of votes cast,	340,
Necessary for choice,	171,
Blank ballot,	1,
Henry O. Harris,	77,
S. B. Bradt,	80,
Millard F. Walton,	182,

And Millard F. Walton is elected Secretary of the Association.

Stamps With a History.

There have lately come into the possession of the National Museum two articles which are of great interest to every American and of particular value to every student of American history. These are nothing more or less than two of the original stamps engraved in England for use in the American Colonies in accordance with the provisions of the stamp act of February, 1765. This was the act which

caused such an uproar among the colonies and which was one of the main causes of all the trouble immediately preceding and leading up to the revolution. It was intended that the revenue to be raised by the stamp act should come from the sale of stamped paper and stamps which were required to be placed upon all paper used in commercial transactions, suits at law, publications, transfers of real estate, inheritances and marriage licenses.



THE STAMPS IN THE MUSEUM.

Thus a tax was placed upon the colonies without their consent and the money derived from this tax was to be used for the support of a standing army, which in turn was expected to enforce the payment of the tax. Apparently no Englishman dreamed of any resistance to the act, and it is said that Greenville, the minister under whom the act was passed, afterward made the statement that he would have staked his life on the obedience of the colonies to the measure. Of course, however, there was a decided resistance, as every American knows, which led to the repeal of the act in March, 1766, under the Rockingham ministry. The stamps themselves were handsomely engraved and ran in value from a half-penny up to several pounds. The two stamps now in the museum are of the value of a half-penny and a penny. They are uncanceled, and are two of eight which were preserved by the heirs of Hon. Welbore Ellis, who was commissioner of internal revenue for Great Britain in 1765. After his death they came into the possession of his son, Welbore Ellis, Jr., who was a partner in the famous banking house of Walker, Maltby, Everett & Ellis, which failed in the great financial panic of 1827.

These two stamps remained in the Ellis family up to a few years ago, when they were given to E. J. Walker, of Newcastle-on-Tyne by his grandfather, the senior member of the above-mentioned banking firm, who was interested in antiques and curiosities. A short time ago the two stamps were given by E. J. Walker to John A. Brill of Philadelphia. Very soon after the stamps came into his possession Mr. Brill received an offer of ten pounds from an English collector for the two, but declined it at once, whereupon the Englishman cabled him an offer several times as large, which was also declined. Mr. Brill came to the conclusion that if the stamps were of that much value to an Englishman, they would be of much more interest to an American museum of historical relics and he promptly presented them to the national museum here, where they will be appreciated and properly preserved. They will be installed in a handsome frame, which will have pictures and proper legends that will help to tell the story of the causes that led to the American revolution.—[Washington Star.

C. P. S.

Meetings are held the 1st. and 3d. Thursday of the month at the Society's rooms, No. 30 La Salle street, (opposite City Hall,) at 8 p. m. President, S. Lealand; Secretary, P. M. Wolsieffer. For full information address the Secretary, Drawer 707, Chicago, Ill.

The 80th meeting of the Chicago Philatelic Society was called to order on Thursday evening, December 19th, at 8 p. m., the president in the chair. Active members present were Messrs. Bradt, D'Ardenne, Dilg, Ford, Fritz, Holman, Janssen, Kuchell, Kurzweg, Leland, McDonald, Palmer, Pierce, Ross, Severn and Wolsieffer. Passive member, Cotlow and Danforth. Visitors, Mr. Abraham and Mr. Dodd.

Minutes of the 79th meeting were approved as corrected. Communications from John M. Hubbard, Geo. H. Watson, Staten Island Philatelic Society, F. F. Gilbert, Luhn & Hadre and L. A. Haskell.

Motion prevailed that the Society accept J. M. Hubbard's offer to publish our

proceedings and the secretary instructed to forward them to him.

A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Geo. H. Watson for a copy of his "Post Card and Letter Card Catalogue."

Auctioneer Bradt reported on the 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th Auction Sales.

Auction Committee and Constitution Committee reported progress.

President Holman reported in reference to incorporation of the Society. On motion the matter was laid on the table for an indefinite period.

The annual election of officers was next in order and resulted as follows: President, Samuel Leland; Vice-President Philip H. Dilg; Secretary, P. M. Wolsieffer; Treasurer, L. A. Haskell; Librarian, A. E. Fritz; Executive Committee, A. L. Holman, Chairman, W. G. H. Janssen, C. D'Ardenne.

It required ten ballots to elect the last member of the Executive Committee, all others were elected on the first ballot, Messrs. Haskell and Wolsieffer's election being unanimous.

Recess was next in order.

After recess the 12th advertised Auction Sale took place. It was moved to adjourn at 10.55 Next meeting Jan. 2nd. Next advertised Auction Sale Jan. 16th. Parties desiring catalogues of these sales should send their request to the Secretary.

P. M. WOLSIEFFER, *Secretary*.

C. P. S. NOTES.

Mr. J. W. Palmer was elected for resident Vice-President at the meeting of Oct. 17th, the Chicago Society as usual being the first to make a nomination for this new office. Although the Board of Trustees were notified, they have so far failed to confirm or announce it notwithstanding the fact that they announced the latter nominations of the Brooklyn and Staten Island Societies in the Dec. American Philatelist.

At the meeting of Nov. 7th the Chicago Philatelic Society as a society ceased to be a branch of the A. P. A. and the A. P. A. members in Chicago continue the branch, independent of the Chicago

Society. This action was taken owing to the change in the By-Laws removing all reference to the A. P. A. It was considered a bad feature to compel a new active member of the Chicago Society to become a member of the A. P. A. and it did not satisfy some of the members for other reasons.

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The annual election of officers passed off very quietly and the new officers will take up the reins of government for 1890 at the first meeting in January.

Changes in Constitution and By-Laws are of frequent occurrence and members should keep posted. Some of our Passive members have an idea they are entitled to vote on all questions. Suggestions however are always welcome.

The actual membership on Nov. 1st. was Active 38, Passive 106, Honorary, 7, total 151. The active membership has fallen off a little of late owing partly to the high dues (\$1.00 per month) charged active members, and about fifteen expulsions for various causes. We support two rooms down in the business district, and while the dues may seem high to some, it is in reality very cheap, for where is the club having its own rooms in a large city in the business portion that charges the same or less for dues.

We have reason to be proud of our Exchange and Auction Departments and they are permanent features. Our Passive members are taking a great interest in them. Nearly all out of town members have requested the manager to put them on circuits and also sent orders for blank sheets. Sheets are made for 16 circuits and sold at 5c. each. Considering the amount of benefits the Chicago Society gives its Passive members for \$1 per year, a membership in it is certainly a good investment.

P. M. WOLSIEFFER.

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